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Another Disaster

Fire in Colliery at Kemmerer, Wyo., Results in Serious Loss of Life.

Fifty-Four Miners Reported to Have Been Entombed in Burning Mine.

Only One Man Escaped—There Is No Hope of Saving the Others.

(Associated Press.)
Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 20.—A special to the Tribune from Kemmerer, Wyo., says:
"A disastrous fire in the Diamondville coal mine No. 12 last night was attended by serious loss of life and great destruction of property. Some fifty miners were entombed and all perished but John Anderson, who was working near the mouth of the level.
"When Anderson realized the mine was on fire he threw a heavy overcoat over his head and shoulders and with great difficulty pushed his way through the flames and reached the main lead, completely exhausted and burned. He will recover.
"All efforts to reach those entombed have failed, as the flames drove the rescuers back. That all have perished is without question.
"Weeping mothers, wives and sweethearts gathered around the mine. The loss of property will reach an enormous figure and as the officials are very reticent, the amount and names of those imprisoned were unobtainable before daylight.
"The cause of the fire is at present unknown. The mine has been plugged at the sixth level, about two miles from the south."
Later Dispatches.
Kemmerer, Wyo., Feb. 20.—Fifty-four miners, whose names are as yet unobtainable, have perished in a fire which was discovered last evening in the sixth level of the Diamondville coal mine No. 12.
Only one man, John Anderson, was able to reach the main shaft, and make his escape, so quickly did the fire spread through the level. Fire was discovered in the 6th level of the mine late last evening. No one knows how it started. The night shift of fifty men, all foreigners, had been at work several hours, and for a time were unaware of their danger. They were scattered along the workings some distance back from the nearest miner to the opening of the level into the shaft. He gave the alarm, which was passed down the tunnel, and then, placing a heavy coat over his head, began a desperate battle with the smoke, fire and deadly fumes of gas to reach the main lead where escape might be possible.
By this time the outside men of the colliery had learned of the fire. Several went down in the hope of rescuing the imprisoned miners. At the opening of the level where the flames were at work they found Anderson completely exhausted. He was carried to the open air and soon revived, though he was severely burned about the body.
Anderson explained the situation in which his companions were placed, and every effort was made to reach them. Every man known to mining experts and the officials of the company were quickly put into operation for the checking of the fire, but without apparent effect. The level was "plugged" at its opening in order to check the draught throughout the workings and thus killed the fire.
Bands of men went down the shaft repeatedly and tried to face the flames, which were eating their way through the level, but were invariably compelled to retreat.
There was no let-up in the efforts to get in the level, however, though it was almost absolutely certain that none of the entombed miners could be alive.
Up to 11 a.m. no bodies had been recovered. Work at the other mines had been suspended, and all the miners had joined the rescuing parties.
So much has the art of dressing and dyeing feathers been developed, that numbers of the unseasonably rare feather boss now worn have simply been made from the plumage of the ordinary fowl.

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CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

Organized in the Province of Bulacan—Arrival of Commission.

(Associated Press.)
Guiguinto, Bulacan Province, Feb. 20.—The United States Philippine Commission has organized a civil government for this province, which until recently was controlled by the insurgents. The president of the town welcomed the commissioners, declaring that the people of the province, which had been watered with blood of Americans and Filipinos, hoped for the obliteration of the marks of war and for the establishment of a peaceful government guaranteeing liberty.
During the afternoon there will be a big meeting in the chapel, and the bill applying the provincial act to Bulacan will be publicly discussed.
The Insurgent Colonel Morels is still operating with his band of 300 men in a portion of the province. Nevertheless sentiments of the people are satisfaction with American sovereignty and appear to be as prevalent here as in the provinces in which the governments provisionally have been organized.

Dewet at Petrusville

The Boer Leader and Steyn Still South of the Orange River.

Canadian Engineer Praised for His Work in Protecting the Railway.

(Associated Press.)
London, Feb. 20.—A correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at De Aar laetia Gen. Dewet and Steyn at Petrusville. He praises the work of Capt. Norman Nation, a Canadian engineer, in protecting a long stretch of railway.
Entertaining Mrs. Hay.
New York, Feb. 20.—It is announced in a London dispatch to the World that Colonial Secretary Chamberlain will give a dinner at his London house towards the end of this week in honor of Adelbert Hay, late United States consul at Pretoria, who will sail for New York on Saturday. Many members of the British government and of the war office have been invited. The affair will be in the nature of a government expression of gratitude to Mr. Hay for his protection of British interests at Pretoria.
Western Men at Ottawa.
(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Feb. 20.—Sixty-five men from Baden-Powell's police force have arrived here from the West. They are principally from British Columbia. They are quartered at the exhibition grounds.

MINING IN INDIA.

Electric Plant to Reduce the Expense of Working.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, Feb. 20.—The state department has been informed by Consul Lee at Bombay, in a recent report, of the arrival of an electric plant, an outfitting party of engineers and electricians. The party are representatives of a New York firm, and are destined to the Kolar gold fields near Bangalore in the native state of Mysore. The erection of this plant is expected to increase the production of the mines and to reduce expense of working. It is a new feature in the gold mining in India.
MORE ABOUT NEW STAR.
(Associated Press.)
Lick Observatory, Feb. 20.—Astronomer W. W. Campbell has made the following: "The new star in the constellation of Perseus has diminished in brightness about one-fifth of a magnitude in the past 24 hours. A careful study of the red, orange, yellow and green results of its spectrum reveals many points of great technical interest. The presence of hydrogen in the star is shown by the broad bright bands of the element. The orange line of helium is dark and narrow, and the fact that they occupy their usual position shows that the star's distance from the earth is not changing rapidly."

VICTORIA PRESBYTERY.

(Special to the Times.)
Nanaimo, Feb. 20.—The Presbytery of Victoria at the session to-day unanimously nominated Rev. Dr. Bryce, Manitoba college, as moderator at the general assembly at Ottawa next June. The commissioners to the general assembly from Victoria Presbytery are Revs. W. B. Cumming, Nanaimo; Rev. D. Macrae, Victoria, and Rev. G. D. Taylor, Alberni.

HAYTI AND DOMINICO.

(Associated Press.)
Cape-Haytien, Feb. 20.—What is known here as the "Philibert incident" was caused by the occupation by Haytien troops of some territory in dispute. The Dominican government is disposed to re-establish good relations with Hayti if the government of that republic will recall its troops.

RETURNING TO ENGLAND.

(Associated Press.)
New York, Feb. 20.—The Duke and Duchess of Manchester arrived in this city last night. His Grace's father-in-law, Eugene Zimmerman, accompanied them here. "We are going to England in a week," the Duke said. "There we shall remain for some time."

Chinese Commission

Messrs. Clute and Munn to Leave Ottawa For the West To-Morrow.

The First Sitting in the Province Will Be Held at Vancouver.

Royal Visit to Canada—Statement By Premier in the Dominion House.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Feb. 20.—R. C. Clute, K. C., and D. J. Munn, two of the commissioners appointed to enquire into the question of Chinese and Japanese immigration, are now in the city. The other commissioner is C. Foley, of Rossland.
Messrs. Clute and Munn will leave here for the Pacific Coast to-morrow, and will likely hold their first meeting in the province of British Columbia at Victoria.
The First Sitting.
The Chinese commission will hold its first sitting at Vancouver, and will afterwards sit at Victoria.
Railway Bills.
In the House to-day Col. Prior introduced a bill regarding the Nakusp & Skeena Railway company, and another respecting the British Columbia Southern railway. A Morrison introduced a bill relating to the Columbia & Western railway. They were all read a first time.
The Royal Visit.
Col. Prior called attention of the government to the programme of the tour of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall in Canada, which was that they were to land at Halifax and not visit the Pacific coast. This he regretted very much. He hoped the government would do its best to have this changed.
Sir Wilfrid Laurier—I may inform my hon. friend that this matter is now subject of correspondence, but as it is confidential I cannot give it to the House. I may say, however, that it would be a most unfortunate thing if they had not an opportunity to visit every province in the Dominion. I think it would be more convenient and the best route for their Royal Highnesses to come by way of the Pacific Coast instead of the Atlantic, and to land at Vancouver, visiting the Territories, Manitoba, and going home by the way of Halifax. This it may be assumed, is the view that is being represented to their Royal Highnesses.
The House then went into the estimates, taking up the post office department.
Census Commissioners.
Frank Burnett and Harry Cowan have been appointed census commissioners for Burrard.

DISTURBANCES AT OPORTO.

(Associated Press.)
Oporto, Feb. 20.—It is understood the Brazilian government will demand explanations from Portugal for the attempt made to abduct the daughter of the Brazilian consul here and place her in a convent against the wishes of her father.
A collision between police and students yesterday resulted in numbers on both sides being injured. The police invaded the institute in pursuit of the students and the professors protested to the government.
A dispatch received from Rio de Janeiro says that a mob at that place stoned the Portuguese representative on account of the incident at Oporto.

STATES AND CUBA.

The St. James's Gazette on the Senate Propositions.

(Associated Press.)
London, Feb. 20.—The St. James's Gazette this afternoon says it sees in the senate proposals relative to Cuba a great similarity with Great Britain's suggestion over the Transvaal in the convention of 1884, and wonders how long the United States would submit to any future ill-treatment of American citizens, similar to Mr. Kruger's treatment of British subjects. It ridicules the idea of American submitting a dispute between the United States and Cuba to the arbitration of a foreign power.

THE EMPRESS FREDERICK

Was Out in a Wheel Chair To-day—King Edward Remains Until Saturday.

(Associated Press.)
Cronberg, Feb. 20.—Emperor William will return to Berlin to-day in order to be with the Empress upon the anniversary of their wedding, which occurs to-morrow. Her Majesty is detained in Berlin owing to the indisposition of her daughter, the Princess Victoria Louise. King Edward, by special request of his sister the Dowager Empress Frederick, will remain until Saturday. Empress Frederick took an airing in a wheel chair this morning, King Edward walking by her side.

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Discussion Continued

On Early Closing Question at City Council Session Last Evening.

Accepted an Invitation to Attend Lecture and Adjourned at Ten Thirty.

To publish the proceedings of courts of inquiry, said it was still the purpose of the government to make a general inquiry into the conduct of the war in South Africa, when the war was substantially ended while 200,000 men were engaged in the military operations.

THE RETURN OF THE COURT. Will Arrive at Peking After Withdrawal of the British.

Peking, Feb. 25.—Li Hung Chang says he expects that the imperial court will return to Peking as soon as notification is given that the troops of the allies are evacuating the capital.

Some old residents here think there may be difficulty in connection with the removal of the powers of the court, but the ministers themselves do not anticipate any.

The German and Russian barracks for the guards of their respective legations will be ready in a month.

Paris, Feb. 25.—A dispatch to the Temps from Shanghai says it is believed the movement of the foreign troops from China will begin at the end of March.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Mr. Clegg has called the state department from Peking under the date of the 23rd, as follows: "Satisfactory edict in answer to punishment demands has been received."

Manchuria. London, Feb. 25.—Lord Cranborne, under secretary of the foreign office, was asked in the House of Commons to day whether the government had any information confirming the Russo-Chinese agreement regarding Manchuria, mentioning the clauses in the agreement referred to in a dispatch to the London Times from Peking, published on February 20th.

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The city council last evening agitated itself on the early closing by-law, and all the orators on the aldermanic board had full swing. In the early portion of the session the council received and accepted an invitation to attend in a body the mass meeting under the auspices of the Lord's Day Alliance addressed by Rev. Mr. Shearer, and the intention was to expedite business and then adjourn to the aldermanic board.

The board of fire underwriters wrote as follows: To His Worship Mayor Hayward and the City Council of Victoria: The question of the early closing of the city is a matter of great importance to the fire department.

The secretary of the school board asked for a definite expression of the council's opinion regarding the board's request for an appropriation of \$30,000 for a new high school. He drew attention to section 39 of the School act bearing on this point.

Ald. Yates advocated the expression of the council's disapproval of the request and this would give the board a ground work on which to have their position. This action was decided upon.

C. A. Holland, of the B. C. Land & Investment Agency, asked for a new sidewalk on Ontario extension and the grading of the thoroughfare. They offered to contribute half of the cost of the work, which would be \$21. Referred to streets, bridges and sewers committee.

Hon. J. Knott, on behalf of the Lord's Day Alliance executive, invited the council to the mass meeting to be addressed by Rev. Mr. Shearer last evening at the Philharmonic hall.

Ald. Beckwith spoke in similar strain. He thought that some of the aldermen could gain considerable useful information in attending the meeting.

Aldermen "Who is he driving at?" The motion of Ald. Brydon was carried.

The Imperial Automatic Vending Machine Co. suggested that a conference be held between the city solicitor and company's solicitor, H. McKenzie Cleland, in order to ascertain whether the machine fulfilled the requirements of the act.

Ald. Kinsman emphasized the machine as a great time-saver. He moved that the request be granted. Ald. Hall seconded the motion.

The council should not bind itself to the acceptance of the result of a test, which would be a practical matter. He advised that the council should undertake the test. Finally it was decided that Mr. Northcott shall act with the city solicitor in the matter.

Miss Margaret Anderson applied for water connection with her premises on Princess avenue. Referred to water commissioners.

Edmund Harris, of Milne street, Spring Ridge, wanted something done to the ditch on that thoroughfare. He also objected to the fumigation of his residence.

Important Decision in the United States Supreme Court.

Washington, Feb. 25.—A decision was rendered today in the United States Supreme court in the case of Fred Lee Jones, holding that men were subject to extradition to Canada. The case has attracted considerable attention because it raised an international question.

The court held that while one of the counts of the complaint was upon information and belief only, the other three were based upon the knowledge of a Canadian officer, and these were competent to justify extradition.

Another Case. Buffalo, Feb. 25.—Judge Hazel, of the United States court, handed down a decision this afternoon holding that Harvey Birch, alias Harry Phillips, who is fighting extradition to Canada, should be sent back to that country for trial.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 25.—For the third time this winter the Delaware river is impassable owing to the ice blockade in Horse Shoe bend, off Gloucester, N. J. Fifteen vessels are ice-bound at that point. The only arrival this far this season was the steamer Grandview.

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dence, in consequence of the death of his son of diphtheria, which he claimed destroyed clothing and household effects. This was referred to the city engineer and health and sanitary inspector.

John Haggerty offered to supply the city with gravel for \$1.20 per cubic yard. Referred to streets, bridges and sewers committee.

Wm. Emory, of North Pembroke street called attention to west side of Shakespeare street, where drainage connection was necessary. This communication was referred to city engineer for report.

Mason & Bradburn, city solicitors, reporting on the claim for damages of Geo. Watts, advised that it be opposed. This was adopted and Mr. Watts, solicitor for Mr. Watts, to be notified.

The Lenora mine at Mount Sicker has been steadily shipping ore to the smelter at Tacoma for some weeks past. Henry Croft, the owner of the property, is under contract to furnish the Tacoma smelter with 25,000 tons of ore this year.

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city, among them Chinese, and if three-quarters of this trade were not represented he could not see that the council should be too precipitate in passing this law.

Ald. Beckwith explained that Ald. Yates had confused clothing with tailors. The city solicitor had been consulted, and no objections to the list had been raised.

Ald. Yates, with some warmth, repudiated what he considered an imputation, and a passage of arms resulted between the two solons.

The clothing by-law was ultimately laid over until Monday evening next, as was the question of police and firemen's salaries.

The Lenora mine at Mount Sicker has been steadily shipping ore to the smelter at Tacoma for some weeks past. Henry Croft, the owner of the property, is under contract to furnish the Tacoma smelter with 25,000 tons of ore this year.

The board of fire underwriters wrote as follows: To His Worship Mayor Hayward and the City Council of Victoria: The question of the early closing of the city is a matter of great importance to the fire department.

The secretary of the school board asked for a definite expression of the council's opinion regarding the board's request for an appropriation of \$30,000 for a new high school.

Ald. Yates advocated the expression of the council's disapproval of the request and this would give the board a ground work on which to have their position.

C. A. Holland, of the B. C. Land & Investment Agency, asked for a new sidewalk on Ontario extension and the grading of the thoroughfare.

Hon. J. Knott, on behalf of the Lord's Day Alliance executive, invited the council to the mass meeting to be addressed by Rev. Mr. Shearer last evening at the Philharmonic hall.

Ald. Beckwith spoke in similar strain. He thought that some of the aldermen could gain considerable useful information in attending the meeting.

Aldermen "Who is he driving at?" The motion of Ald. Brydon was carried.

The Imperial Automatic Vending Machine Co. suggested that a conference be held between the city solicitor and company's solicitor, H. McKenzie Cleland, in order to ascertain whether the machine fulfilled the requirements of the act.

Ald. Kinsman emphasized the machine as a great time-saver. He moved that the request be granted. Ald. Hall seconded the motion.

The council should not bind itself to the acceptance of the result of a test, which would be a practical matter. He advised that the council should undertake the test.

Miss Margaret Anderson applied for water connection with her premises on Princess avenue. Referred to water commissioners.

Edmund Harris, of Milne street, Spring Ridge, wanted something done to the ditch on that thoroughfare. He also objected to the fumigation of his residence.

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"Saving the Sabbath"

Rev. J. G. Shearer Gave an Address in Philharmonic Hall. Last Evening.

Leaves For Vancouver on Thursday to Attend Provincial Convention of Alliance.

Rev. J. G. Shearer, general secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, gave his second and last address in this city last evening at the Philharmonic hall.

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Provincial Legislature

Eloquent Speech By Mr. Murphy in Moving Adoption of Address.

Mr. J. C. Brown Criticizes the Government's Policy—The Order Paper.

Victoria, Feb. 25th.

In marked contrast with the course pursued with reference to the speech from the throne that year was the procedure of the House with reference to that document to-day. Last year the debate occupied less than an hour; this year it almost monopolized the afternoon, and then an adjournment was taken. Remarks made by Mr. Brown, acting leader of the opposition, indicated that the speaker, as was forecast by the Times a few days ago, will not content himself with a brief consideration of public issues. And as the government supporters seem equally prone to prolixity, it will likely result in a long session.

The speeches of Messrs. Murphy and Dickie in moving the adoption of the address were most creditable. That of the mover was a brilliant effort, worthy of the high eulogistic reputation Mr. Murphy has enjoyed, while Mr. Dickie's speech, while less effusive, was such a sound business-like effort that it elicited upon the House was little less marked.

In opening his remarks, the mover said that he regretted that such an able policy should have such an insufficient exponent. He referred in eloquent terms to the tributes which the race had paid to the dead Queen at Cowes. It was, he thought, a subject for congratulation that all the provinces of Canada, British Columbia was most in evidence about that tier.

But they could not live in the past. It was fitting, therefore, that before they plunged into the business of the session they should express their loyalty to the Crown, and to him who wears it. All hoped that when he laid it down it would be with as fine a record as that of his mother.

Eloquent reference was also made to the fact that Canadian life blood had recently been spilled to uphold that flag which is beloved by all the King's subjects of all colors and creeds, and which is flown as proudly from the citadels of Quebec, as from the flagpole at Victoria, and which, wherever it was unfurled, signified justice to all and license to none.

The speaker expressed his pleasure at seeing so many of the young fellows who had gone to the front from Canada, at the opening of the House. He was glad to notice that it was the intention of the government to recognize their services by land grants, as they were of the staff which British Columbia desired for settlers.

The sharp rise in the price of white paper probably had something to do with the government's determination to offer a bonus for the establishment of the pulp wood industry, and to make some of our natural resources conduce to our national wealth.

They must not, however, lose sight of the necessity for bringing those industries which we possess to the highest state of efficiency, perhaps in the past there had been a disposition to encourage the mining at the expense of the agricultural industry. In his own riding the two were more evenly balanced perhaps than in any other. It would avail little to develop the natural resources of the country if the major portion of the wealth thus obtained had to be sent out of the country for the purchase of supplies which ought to be raised within the province. There were men in West Yale who had devoted a lifetime to reclaiming prairie and making them fertile, yet the products rotted while the same kind of product was imported to feed residents of other portions of the province. This was due to lack of railway connection and to excessive freight rates. The government had promised to bring about such reduction in those charges as would lead to the purchase of these supplies in the province. This would bring up together two classes of citizens, the miner and the farmer—the best two classes which could be brought into this country. The speaker alluded to the great copper ore deposits in the neighborhood of Princeton and the coal lands in the Nicola valley. A railway would turn what to-day was a wilderness into a hive of industry. The construction of the line, too, would be beneficial to the Fraser valley and to the Coast cities, giving them the trade which had hitherto been diverted to the East. The speaker regarded this road of such importance that had the government not given an assurance that the line would be built he would have felt obliged to withdraw his support.

While he was less familiar with the necessity for the extension of the island railway, he believed it, too, to be necessary. He hoped that the government of the day in granting aid to either or to both of these roads would safeguard the province in every way possible without hampering the industry.

In the matter of schools, they could not afford to retrograde. That country prospered most in which education reached the highest point. It would be great cause for congratulation if the government would increase the efficiency of the schools—and at the same time decrease the burdens on the people.

had been examined by a competent man before entering and produced safe. Apart from this fact he was glad to know on the authority of the Minister of Mines, that the year had been a most successful one and that the output had been increased fifty per cent. He believed that the policy outlined would commend itself to every man who wished to see British Columbia represented in the markets of the world.

As it had been rumored that as a result of the election in Vancouver the opposition intended to go out of business, they should be indebted to the government for a policy which let them out so early. However, he supposed that like the poor, they would always be with us. Opposition was a good thing if properly exercised. What the country wanted was fewer attempts to bring a class against class, in fact less politics and more business.

British Columbia was a province of great resources and great difficulties, but the rewards were commensurate with the difficulties. If her people were faithful to their trust he believed that the Master of Nations would reward their efforts with a kindly eye and that it would become the banner province of the Dominion, and the Dominion the brightest gem in the Imperial diadem. He therefore moved the adoption of the address. (Loud applause.)

C. H. Dickie.

C. H. Dickie (Cowichan) said it afforded him very great pleasure to second the motion which had been proposed in his brilliant speech preceding his own. As a parliamentarian he was obliged to deplore the death of a Queen who had been earth's noblest person, and of expressing their loyalty to her successor, the King.

Scarcely could there be any objection to giving the young men who had gone to Africa a substantial recognition of the services they had rendered the province and Empire.

The province at large was in a prosperous condition. Wages were good and business prosperous. There were few men of mature years in the province who having lived here for years, could not look back on money squandered which to-day would insure them a competence.

There were more shipping mines and a greater output than in previous years. The need of the province, however, was more capital—more intelligently employed. There was no suggestion in the speech of a narrow-minded policy which would be repellant to capital.

Although he regarded the mining laws as excellent, yet any improvement of them would be welcomed.

The enforcement of the government's Oriental legislation would solve that question. The influx would be stopped and gradually the Mongolians already here would be replaced by whites who would be a source of revenue to the province and at the time of international complications of strength. He thought the thanks of the House were due the Premier and Attorney-General for their Ottawa trip, and all would regret that the catastrophe at Union had not made the home-coming of the former more pleasant.

J. C. Brown.

J. C. Brown (Westminster), acting leader of the opposition, prefaced his remarks by congratulating the mover and second. The first had made an eloquent speech and the second a sound, sensible address. He would not by this statement commit himself to everything they had said.

With the opening remarks of the speaker all would agree. His endorsement of the Coast-Kootenay line, however, they found hard to reconcile with his previous opposition to that road.

The mover, too, had said that the opposition was going out of business. There was a proper and constitutional way in which the government could put the opposition out of business, and at the same time confer a lasting benefit on the country. (Laughter.)

It was a remarkable thing for the government to approach a Liberal government at this juncture, and at the same time to have instructions to cut to knife every Liberal office-holder in the employ of the government.

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growing feeling that the cure of the evils arising out of railway matters was for the government to own these railways. It was said, too, that the Minister of Mines who, when seeking election, was a hot advocate of government ownership, now relegated it to the shelf. The government supporters, too, had said that it was impossible to build a railway to Boundary, and that if it were built it would be a financial disaster. Now they stammered the latter as a fact, and regarded the construction of the Coast-Kootenay as one thoroughly practicable. He did not understand how they could recall this right about now with their own self-righteousness. There was no doubt that the road would pay from the outset, would cause the erection of smelters at the Coast, and help to build up the Coast cities.

He had no doubt that the Island railway if constructed under proper conditions would do a large amount of good. The government would not be criticized for the building of the railway, such criticism would be dependent on the terms attending its construction.

He hoped they would be enlightened regarding the route of the Northern railway. Perhaps the government would decline to throw any light on the speech as they had last year, and if it brought a little truth they certainly were wise in their generation.

Regarding this railway, a proper route should be taken, and moreover it was a question as to whether a road could be built with sufficient encouragement and aid to regard the interest of British Columbia.

Past history had made them weary. Rosette schemes had been submitted which had undoubtedly been beneficial, but in which the province as a whole was a loser. Today the province was suffering from the passing of a road which had been of more benefit to the promoter than to any one else.

Reverting to the Union accident, Mr. Brown said he felt assured that if the disaster was due to negligence it was that of employees rather than that of the management, and he felt sure that the government would not sanction any investigation to see if some steps could not be taken to safeguard those who labored below ground, and to fix the cause of the accident.

Regarding the commissions issued in the recent past, he was glad to learn that those relating to the railway were a desire to bring that institution up to date, and not because of any charges against the management.

In following the suggestion of the opposition not to issue the mining commission, the government had enhanced its reputation. He hoped they would pay more attention to the suggestions of the opposition in future.

Regarding the amendments to the mining laws, he thought there should be as little interference with the mining laws of the country as possible, so that there might be less complaint regarding frequent changes in that law.

He referred to the inconvenience which was caused by the confusion arising out of the reservation of gold and silver in the railway belt in British Columbia. He suggested an amendment to the act to avoid these complications.

The action of the government in regard to the immigration of Chinese and Japs also drew from Mr. Brown a word of commendation.

He asked if the parties mentioned in the speech—the Premier and Attorney-General, were all that were to Ottawa. He confessed some curiosity as to the mission alone what would in all probability be contained in the formal declaration.

For instance, he would like to know if they assured the government at Ottawa whether or not they would support the government. If so, did they point out every head that fell into the basket as a Liberal head?

Hon. Mr. Turner—No.

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It was possible, too, only in colonies which had a custom tariff.

Mr. Brown had charged the government with former opposition to the Coast-Kootenay railway. On the contrary, had the party which now constituted a large portion of the government remained in power the Coast-Kootenay railway would have been in operation to-day.

Referring to the charge of bad administration of the road funds, it was impossible to do good work owing to the late date at which the appropriations were made.

The intensity of the session was accounted for by the absence of the Premier and Attorney-General in Ottawa.

The honorable gentleman had a strong imagination when he said that Liberal heads fell into the basket during the Premier's absence. He doubted if there were any officials discharged during their absence. In fact it had been charged that all the appointments were Liberal.

The Premier and Attorney-General did not go to Ottawa on political business. They were on a business trip. They went to get British Columbia's interests.

Mr. Gilmour.

H. B. Gilmour expressed the hope that the new school act would be a satisfactory one. He was glad to see Mr. Murphy as a new family-man taking the matter up. (Laughter.)

He hoped to see, too, the pulp industry of the future on the Pacific coast, and not on the Niagara river.

He roared the government for its failure to attend the Good Roads Association, which was held in the building. Quoting from the year book of New Zealand he disputed the statement of Mr. Turner that it cost 10 cents a mile to travel. The rate in New Zealand was only half of that. It was here. They would never see a lack to private ownership of railways.

He also attacked the government for its railway policy. It was only 400 miles from Greenwood to Victoria, yet it would take two days to do so. The government had opposed the granting of a charter last year for a road, without a cent of subsidy to the Yukon. Yet now they proposed to build a railway to the north boundary of the province alone, it would pay the government instead of sitting around Victoria to go ahead and learn the geography of the country.

Passing reference was made to the Union disaster, and the reports of the commission, and then the Speaker referred to the hardships entailed by the lumber industry. Men in East Kootenay, who had built trails, found that the lands through which they had cut them had been given to the Canada Southern.

Regarding the trip to Ottawa, he could not see why the ministers need to have gone. According to the Colonist, Mr. Lugrin had carried on all the negotiations. While he was getting columns, the Premier and Attorney-General were getting only a few inches. It was the presence of the ministers at Ottawa useless.

He reiterated the charge of the de-capitation of Liberal office holders.

Captain Tatlow.

Capt. Tatlow, as an independent member, made reference to the big shipments of wood pulp for the Australian colonies by every steamer from the pulp mills of Everett. This often amounted to 400 tons. He thought it advisable to hold the industry to capitalists to manage the industry in British Columbia.

The system of small holdings had proved most satisfactory and the policy of the government would help trade-men to supplement their ordinary revenue by farming on a small scale.

The grants to the returned soldiers be thought might be extended to give them an option on small holdings when they returned, such as take up the 100-acre land grants.

for a private bill to incorporate the Coast-Kootenay Railway company, No. 58.

By Mr. Green, from Jno. Irving, for a private bill to incorporate the Chicout & Klahall Railway & Navigation company, (No. 62).

On Wednesday next—The Hon. Mr. Eberts to ask leave to introduce a bill intituled An Act to amend the Extra-Provincial Investment and Loan Societies Act, 1900.

On Thursday next—Mr. Oliver to ask leave to introduce a bill intituled An Act to amend the Highway Traffic Regulation Act.

On Wednesday next—Mr. Neill will ask the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works:

Why was it deemed advisable in the public interest to stop the sale or pre-emption of Crown lands on Graham Island, by notice of 30th January?

On Wednesday next—The Hon. Mr. Eberts to ask leave to introduce a bill intituled An Act respecting certain Railway Land Grants.

On Thursday next—By Mr. Oliver. That an order of the House be granted for copies of all correspondence in connection with proposed government work on the Yale road (Serpentine valley, Surrey), and the Town Line road, Langley (Salmon River flats), and for copies of all correspondence between the government or any member thereof, respecting the appointment of road foreman in Delta riding.

The manner in which the well-organized plot to obstruct the ship Dunstaffnage from getting a crew on this side, when outward-bound from the Sound last week, was foiled through the interference of the provincial police of this city, has undoubtedly had a most salutary effect on the boarding house keepers of the Sound, and at the same time has given foreign going captains a confidence in Victoria as a port whereto to get men for their ships. Manifestation of this fact is to be found in the business of supplying sailors as conducted by A. W. Von Rhein, of the Globe Hotel, Esquimalt. The Puget Sound operators had bragged of how they would prevent the Dunstaffnage getting a crew, and were here with that object in view to the number of ten. They had made several threats—but all had failed. Imminently, Capt. Forbes, of the Dunstaffnage, has been so pleased with his treatment here under the circumstances that he has written several letters to local shipping men thanking them for their services. Speaking of his business transactions with Mr. Von Rhein, he states he supplied him with a crew under force opposition and offers of bribery from the American boarding masters, and he recommends that all fellow masters to the same position as he to pursue a similar course, in securing a crew.

PARALLON AND ROSALE.

The ocean-going steamer Parallon, of the Alaska Steamship Co.'s fleet, will arrive this afternoon and sail at 7:30 o'clock. Tomorrow she will arrive at 2:30 p.m. and sail at 4 o'clock direct for Seattle, not stopping at Port Townsend, and will reach Seattle at 10 p.m.

The Rosalie will come off the Esquimalt marine ways to-morrow morning, resplendent in fresh paint and new copper sheathing. She will resume her regular run to-morrow evening, leaving here at 7:30 o'clock, and will continue this schedule all summer. After the thorough overhauling she has just had, the Rosalie will make faster time than heretofore.

SHIPPING DUTABLE FREIGHT.

A typographical error appearing in last evening's Times makes the paragraph referring to the carriage of goods by night on sleighs read that the privilege for sleighing was granted by the Dominion authorities, whereas the Dominion authorities were the ones intended to be mentioned. The instructions in the matter of shipping this freight, according to a telegram to Collector Milne, stated that the freight must be corded, sealed and manifested, and that the international entry must be made at White Horse by the carrying company's agent, the new bond being mailed.

PROPOSE AMALGAMATING.

Ten new members were enrolled at the meeting of the Marine Engineers' Association last evening, bringing the total membership up to over fifty in Victoria. The different branch associations throughout the province are now considering amalgamating with the National Association of Marine Engineers of Canada, which has its headquarters at Toronto and which, if the present proposal is effected, will accomplish a sphere of influence from the Pacific to the Atlantic.

MARINE NOTES.

H. M. S. Hyacinth, formerly of this station and which is now at Devonport, is having additional water tanks fitted on the upper deck, the special boiler committee having decided to subject the vessel to special trials as to her water consumption.

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AS REGARDS AWAINGS.

Clauses touching these will probably be mutually amended—Somewhat Ambiguous.

In the consolidated-by-laws, with which the municipal council have been wrestling for some months, it is understood that among the most complete amendments after it has passed through the device of careful and thorough consideration will be the street by-law. Several of the old clauses will be amended materially, notably that dealing with awnings. The present section bearing on this point is so ambiguous that it is doubtful if a conviction could be secured as a result of its contravention. It reads as follows:

"Every awning or shade, and every bracket supporting the same, across or over any sidewalk, shall be at least seven feet six inches clear above the level of the sidewalk," etc. etc. In this responsibility is fixed, no mention being made of occupier, owner, lessee or agent, as in other clauses.

The city council will resume the consideration of the consolidated by-laws to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

CREDITABLE PERFORMANCE.

"The Prisoner of Zenda" Last Night—Mrs. Fluke as Tess D'Urberville the Next Attraction.

The presentation of "The Prisoner of Zenda" at the Victoria theatre last evening attracted a good audience. The play, which follows Anthony Hope's novel very closely, is well adapted for sustaining interest throughout the several acts. From the commencement to the close it is full of daring adventure.

The characters in the play were, with a few very exceptions, well sustained. The stern old German soldier, Col. Sapt, always faithful and loyal to the representative of the ruling family of Ruritania, the Englishman, was represented by Chas. C. Brown, a very creditable manner; Helen Stickland, as Madame De Mauban, with her passionate love yet jealous suspicion of Prince Michael, sustained her part well; Vaughan Glaser filled the dual role of Rudolph the King and Rudolph Rosenzweig, the young English impresario of "The Majesty," in an acceptable manner; the villainous Hentzau, taken by Robert Conness, and the Princess Flavia, represented by Ruth Aldridge, were each sustained by them in a fitting manner.

Mrs. Fluke as Tess.

It is the portrayal of a murder scene on the stage a legitimate province of dramatic art. For this question, which is one that every performance of "The Prisoner of Zenda" provokes, the answer seems to be: It all depends upon the degree of skill and the artistic perceptions of the actors. Many a play of a cheap and vulgar type portrays murders under the most revolting physical conditions, and these plays are not art. Every serious actor, which is unquestionably a superior melodrama, oversteps the limits of art in its murder scene and becomes mere beastiality, a mere appeal to the lusts of blood which lurk in all mankind.

Mrs. Fluke appears at the Victoria on Thursday night in "Tess of the D'Urbervilles."

Business Change

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People in this country frequently express surprise at the high salaries paid to members of the judicial bench in India. When, however, those gentlemen have performed to hear with a grave face such pleadings as the following, it is not difficult to understand why the government offers them a handsome rate of remuneration. The case in question was one of assault and battery: "My learned friend with more wind from a teapot thinks to browbeat me from my legs. I stand under the shoes of my client, and I only seek to place the lions of content clearly in Your Honor's eye. Your Honor will be pleased enough to observe that my client is a poor widow with one post-mortem son. A Widow of Your Honor's country is not able to eat more than one meal a day. She wears clothes or to look after a man. So my poor client had not such physique or mind as to assault the lusty complainant. Yet she has been deprived of some of her valuable leather—the leather of her nose.

"My learned friend has thrown only an argument of ad hominem upon my teeth, that my client's witnesses are all near relatives. But they are not her near relatives. Their relationship is here homopathic. So the misty arguments of my learned friend will not hold water—how he has some, some, my client's nose leather, he cannot be believed. He cannot be allowed to raise a castle in the air by heating upon a bush." We are glad to observe that the defendant who took a piece of the widow's valuable nose leather was bound over to keep the peace. London Chronicle.

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days, that there is no freer man in the world than a British subject, and he served his Queen and his country in South Africa with a courage and a devotion which have called forth many encomiums and much comment from the correspondents. The anecdotes of the difficulties into which Howard got himself by reason of his dauntless courage and disregard of danger, the ingenuity with which he freed himself and his faithful little quickfire from the meshes in which the Boers many times appeared to have surrounded him, and the anxiety which his escapades caused his superior officers, who were loath to leave him in the hands of the enemy, have furnished almost as much copy for the printers as the records of the extraordinary feats of Col. Baden-Powell.

MANITOBA AND RAILWAYS. Many points of great interest in the agreement which the Manitoba government has entered into with the Canada Northern railway for the operation of the Northern Pacific system in that province were omitted in the dispatches to the British Columbia press. For instance, it was not stated that the C. P. R. had been asked for and had submitted an offer, which was favored by the government but rejected by a caucus of its supporters in favor of the proposition of Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann. The correspondence of Premier Roblin with President Shaughnessy has laid all the facts bare, perhaps a trifle bare than Mr. Roblin relishes, seeing that it has been made clear that the supporters of the government in the house have no confidence in their leaders.

DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS. Radical in many things and conservative in the extreme in others are we in British Columbia. In the Imperial Parliament, in the Dominion House of Commons and in nearly all the provincial legislatures of Canada the parliamentary "function" known as the debate on the address is being curtailed to the shortest possible limit. In these days of hurry and bustle the truth has dawned upon the legislators that this debate is merely waste of time. The speakers roam over the universe and deal with almost every subject engaging the attention of the statesmen of the Empire, and of the Dominion and its different sections. Later on all the matters which the orators have dealt with generally come before the House individually and the deluge of talk goes on. The absurdity of this form has become apparent, and in most Houses of Parliament the members are following the example of nature and allowing that which fulfills no practical purpose to pass away. The members all profess to be anxious to finish the business of the province with promptness and thoroughness. Then why waste time at the beginning of the session and rush along like a cyclone when reaching its end? The speaker and the address in the House yesterday spoke eloquently, tersely and directly of the events so deeply affecting the Empire, the Dominion and the province which have occurred since the House adjourned last year. They covered the whole ground, and we are sure that on the conclusion of their remarks political abstractions might with advantage have been dropped and the concrete business which awaits attention attacked with vigor. Before the end of the session members will no doubt have ample opportunity to make their attitude clear upon all the questions which are of special interest to British Columbians at the present time.

DEATH OF "GAT" HOWARD. "Gat" Howard, whose death has been announced in the dispatches from Lord Kitchener, was a soldier with all the dash and courage of Sam Hughes, besides possessing the discretion which the latter may truthfully be said to lack. Although born in the United States, like the great majority of his countrymen who come to live in our midst he soon discovered that Canada was a most desirable place in which to pass one's

amount is \$210,000 as rental for the Northern Pacific; \$232,000 interest on the new bonds, and \$148,000 as interest on the first bonds, or \$590,000 in all. There is to be no pooling arrangement with the Canadian Pacific; passenger rates are not to be over three cents per mile; there is to be a branch to Dunthorn, and the company is to pay the two per cent. tax on its Manitoba earnings. In addition the government is to have the option of purchase in 1930.

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Deputation From Victoria Agricultural Society Waits on the Executive.

This morning a deputation consisting of President Holmbeck, of the Agricultural Society, Noah Shakespeare and W. H. Hayward, M. P. P., waited on the government...

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Natural History Society was held last evening...

A large number of the Chinese merchants have already terminated their New Year festivities...

Some speculation is indulged in in regard to the contents of the labor bill promised by W. B. Melness...

TO-DAY'S PROCEEDINGS. The House opened this afternoon without the usual devotional exercises...

A. J. Dallain, who for seven years has acted as secretary-treasurer of the James Bay Athletic Association...

It is reported that the C. P. R. has applied for certain power which virtually give them the opportunity of making the outer wharf a terminal point of its transcontinental system...

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ROAD MATTERS DISCUSSED

At a Meeting Held at Colwood on Saturday Night. An adjourned meeting of the electors of Colwood was held on Saturday...

Another triumvirate returned from the front last evening after good trip. Participated in the Great General Retrospect.

Another triumvirate of the first contingent returned last evening in the persons of Ptes. Dixon, Roberts and Court...

Pte. Dixon had the honor of a brief conversation with the Queen about six weeks before her death. With other colonials he visited Windsor Castle and Her Majesty...

Pte. Dixon was through the Panderberg engagement, and received a little memento of his experience in the shape of a slinging wound in the breast...

After the trial he was struck, his wound being a glancing one and not very serious. Pte. Andrews was also wounded in the knee...

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WEATHER BULLETIN

Victoria, Feb. 25-5 a. m.-The pressure remains low on the Vancouver Island coast, while to the southward the barometer is high from California to the Northwest Territories and Manitoba...

For 24 hours ending 3 p.m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity moderate or fresh easterly or southerly winds, unsettled and mild, with rain.

San Francisco-Barometer, 30.58, temperature, 54; minimum, 52; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

IVORY SOAP at Jameson's, 33/Port Street. Scissors, table and pocket cutlery, razors, etc. Shore's Hardware.

Mrs. Robbins was removed to the provincial asylum at New Westminster this morning.

You will find it in the B. C. Guide; 5c per copy, 50c per year, in all book stores in B. C.

The funeral of the late Geo. W. Fisher will take place to-morrow afternoon from the parlors of Brooks's undertaking establishment at 2.30.

Fresh Oysters Daily from our own beds at Sooke. Price, per gallon, \$3.00; per quart, 75c. New England Hotel.

Susan, a West Coast Indian woman, was fined \$5 and \$2.50 costs in the police court this morning for being drunk. A bicyclist caught riding upon a sidewalk pleaded guilty and was fined \$3.

The annual meeting of the Protestant Orphans' Home will be held in the city hall to-morrow (Wednesday) at 4 o'clock, for the transaction of business. Officers and committees for the year will be elected at the meeting.

Seven Japanese who embarked here for Seattle the other day and refused entry at the Sound City owing to their non-possession of the thirty dollars head tax, returned yesterday. None of the seven could read or write in any European language.

Next Friday evening the members of the Victoria District Farmers' Institute will hold a banquet at Agricultural Hall, Saanich. The table will be under the management of the ladies of the district. A special train will leave Victoria at 7.30 o'clock.

In Chambers the case of Partridge v. Bennett Lake Co. has been dismissed for want of prosecution; in Smith v. Omnica Consolidated Hydraulic Company, an order was granted for the examination of the secretary of the company which appears as a judgment debtor.

In consequence of reports received from Mayne and Saturna Islands of alleged smuggling of Japanese from the United States side, Immigration Officer W. H. Ellis, accompanied by Provincial Constable Cox and Interpreter K. Toki, visited the islands last week. Investigation failed to authenticate the report.

The inspector of fruit pests for the province, R. M. Palmer, has submitted his report dealing with the enemies the horticulturist has to fight-and suggestions and remedies in the same connection. The report is a comprehensive treatment of the whole subject, of which Mr. Palmer has made such a close study.

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The Moki Snake Dance

Weird Ceremonial of an Arizona Indian Tribe—Aboriginal Rain Makers.

Braves Prance Around, Carrying Reptiles in Their Mouths—Cost of Killing a Rattlesnake.

"The attitude of different races and different classes of people toward snakes is a most interesting subject of study," said an expert in ophiology, recently, in discussing serpents and their ways. "Without going outside of this country we can find nearly all the variations," he continued, "from abject terror and violent hatred up to the highest love and respect. Read ophiology, the actual worship of snakes, is yet to be discovered here, but we have a close approach to it in the attitude of the Moki Indians of Arizona and in that of several other tribes in the West.

"Once in two years the Moki perform their celebrated snake-dance, in which the participants prance around and around, carrying snakes in their mouths. This is not merely a sensational exhibition, but is a real religious ceremony, performed according to set rules, and with religious purposes in view. It is short, it is a prayer for rain, and oddly enough, is nearly always effective. The dance has been performed ever since the Indians have been known, and probably for long ages before that, and is always the same, although in recent years some slight modifications have crept in, owing to the presence of large numbers of visitors at the time of the ceremony.

"I saw the dance first many years ago, and for ten years after that kept track, through agents in Arizona, of the way they performed before and after the ceremony. In every instance it was preceded by very dry and scorching weather, and followed, on the very day of the dance, by copious and prolonged showers. On one occasion it rained so violently that many of the Indians lost their crops by wash-outs. Perhaps that time the dancers were a little too zealous. As the time of the dance is set fully ten days in advance by the priests, the coming of rain is, of course, a mere coincidence, but the invariable success of the ceremony in some of the most arid regions of Arizona is about time for a new form of rain-making 'fake' to turn up in Kansas. I would suggest the importation of the snake dance there as the most effective device so far discovered. If a lot of the Kansas farmers could strip down to a breechcloth, and dance around a circle with snakes dangling from their mouths, the slight wind 'at least picturesque and certainly interesting.

Rattlesnakes Are Used.

"The Indians use all the varieties of snakes indigenous to their country, including—Arizonic—the rattlesnake, which might have 200 or more of the reptiles. Eight days before the dance they commence collecting them from the surrounding country, and as that region in Arizona is particularly favorable to the development of snakes, they are not long to get in a sufficient supply. The snake hunters go out perfectly naked, except the breechcloth, armed only with a forked stick and a small buckskin bag in which to carry the game. When one of them finds a snake he pins it to the ground with his stick, and then coolly picks it up, coiling it about his hand as one would a rope, and then tucks it into a bag. In the evening all the hunters return to a room in the village, where the snakes are dumped out on the floor and allowed to squirm around until they become quiet.

"Before the public ceremony takes place the snakes are prayed over by the priests, washed in 'sacred water,' and gently stroked from the head to the tail. This is repeated several times. Whether it has any effect on the serpents is a most curious question. It is certain, however, that the rattlers are not mutilated in any way to render them innocuous. Specimens have been examined by competent authorities just before and after the dance and were found to be in perfect condition with the poison fangs intact and the sacks full of venom. How the Indians prevent the snakes from striking them, and by what means they escape fatal consequences when struck, is an unsolved mystery.

Snake Messengers to the Gods.

"In the final figure of the snake dance all the serpents which have been used are thrown on the ground at a given signal within a large circle drawn with sacred meal. Then ensues a wild scramble by all the participants, each seeking as many snakes as he can hold in his two hands and making off with them at full speed to the north, south, east and west, where the reptiles are released on all the trails leading into the village. The spectators sit in late in returning to his camp is likely to meet with unpleasant surprises, and may even have to defend himself, but the Indian never, under any circumstances, kills a snake. Such an act would be considered by him a sacrilege, and he would expect to be severely punished by the gods.

"The theory of this dance is very simple. The rain god of these Indians has the form of an enormous serpent, whose tail rests upon the ground while his head is in the clouds. The lightning which comes from the heavens is the play of his tongue, and it is a poor thing, while he himself is a poor thing, whose prayers for rain might easily be overlooked, if he addresses his petitions to the snakes of the earth, and treats them so well that they will have a kindly feeling for him, then, when he is released, will carry the prayers of the great serpent god. Being of the same kind, they would have no difficulty in finding the rain god, wherever the latter might be, and in impressing on him the urgent necessity for rain. As I have remarked, they themselves get it, and are thereby strengthened in their belief.

Cost of Killing a Snake.

"Other tribes in the southwest have the same love and respect for serpents, but it is manifested in different ways. Not long ago I was engaged in some work on the Navajo reservation in New Mexico, on which a good many of the Indians were employed. The region was especially suited to rattlesnakes, and they were very abundant, but the Indians never killed one of them. One day I came face to face with a big fellow, who showed fight, and acting on the impulse of the moment I killed him. The Indians growled around with expressions of sorrow, not for the snake, but for me. One of them, who was the chief of that region and very friendly to me, insisted on sending at once for one of the principal medicine-men of the tribe, who lived some fifty miles to the south. He was in great tribulation, and tried hard to impress on me the great danger in which I stood. He said the spirit of the snake had entered into my body, and that unless I took prompt measures to drive it out it would cause my death in the near future, certainly within a few months.

"When I showed some signs of yielding to his insistence he explained what the process of purification was. The medicine-man, he said, would lay me out on the ground, naked, and would make passes over my body and sing over me certain songs and incantations which had the power of forcing evil spirits to leave. At the same time he would have in his hand a wooden image of a snake. The spirit, in leaving my body, would see this image, and believing it to be a real snake, would pass into it, thus relieving me. The cost of this ceremony I found to be two ponies or a dozen sheep. As I had not that amount about me I had to forego the purification. I suppose my Indian friends still believe that the spirit of that particular snake is still inhabiting my body.

Remedy For Snake Bite.

"It is very difficult for a white man to understand the 'phylax' of an Indian, so that he can understand things from the Indian point of view. The matter of a snake bite is an illustration. If a man dies from that cause it is not, in the Indian mind, the serpent that killed him, but an evil spirit that has taken possession of him for his sins. The remedy, therefore, is not in cauterizing the wound or in prompt amputation, or anything of that kind, but in driving out the evil spirit by songs and powerful incantations. If the victim dies while this is going on, as is frequently the case, it is either because the incantations are not powerful enough or because the sufferer has come under the displeasure of some god, and is not 'good of heart and pure of breath,' as is the Indian phrase; the breath being regarded as the life.

"Any quantity of medicine has been written about Indian remedies for snake bite and other ills, but the only remedy the Indian recognizes is that which I have indicated, the driving out of the evil spirit that has taken possession of the sufferer. Sometimes enemies are sent for to aid in purifying the body, but while in a sense this is a real cure, it has absolutely no relation to the disease, the real cause of which is believed to be a kind of witchcraft, for which the remedy is obvious. After the dance of the Moki every participant takes a large quantity of a violent emetic—a most disgusting mixture, which would have the same effect on a white man at five yards' range. This, they explain, is necessary because in carrying the snakes in their mouths, they necessarily absorb some of the spirit of the snake, which passes through the throat into their bodies. When the emetic is taken, this bad influence, it is said, is washed out of the throat before it has time to do any harm."—New York Times.

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Time Table No. 55—Taking Effect November 15th 1900.

Victoria to Vancouver—Daily, 1 a. m.
From Inner Wharf, Vancouver to Victoria—Daily at 1:15 p. m., or on arrival of C. P. R. No. 1 train.

NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE.
Leave Victoria for New Westminster, Ladner, Leidy and Tsalinda—Tuesday and Friday at 7 a. m. Leave New Westminster for Victoria and West Ports—Wednesday and Saturday at 7 a. m.

NORTHERN ROUTE.
Steamships of this company will leave for Fort Simpson and intermediate points, via Vancouver, at 11th of each month at 11 p. m.

ALASKA ROUTE.
Steamships of this company will leave every Wednesday, via Vancouver, for Wrangell and Skagway at 8 p. m.

BABCOY SOUND ROUTE.
Steamer leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sand ports, on the 1st 10th, and 20th of each month, extending latter trips to Quatsino and Cape Scott.

The company reserves the right of changing the time table at any time without notice.

G. A. CARLETON, General Agent.
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UNSKILLED LABOR.

Here is the "trick" of the Sand Hog—his daily bread, says Cromwell Chisole, in his interesting account of child laborers in Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly for February. The union these men have established has figured out definitely what each must get in the coin of the realm, the pay depending upon just what depth a man is working that day. In this strange trade the wear and tear on a man, and the proportion of risk he is running is paid for; not what he accomplishes in yards and bucketsful. Thus, when the caisson begins its descent the men get not very much more than they would in the open air, though very good wages and short hours a caisson worker can at any time demand.

The wage rate is one of the most interesting things about these men. Down to a depth of fifty-nine feet (which means twenty-five and one-half additional pounds of air pressure to the square inch, an amount which does not greatly increase the difficulties of working) each man receives \$2.75 a day, and the foreman a dollar more. For this the man must work eight hours in all, in two shifts of even length, with half an hour's rest in between above ground, this half hour being included in the working time.

At this pressure increases in obedience to a fixed rule as the caisson sinks. At fifty-five feet it is twenty-five and one-half pounds; at sixty-five, thirty pounds; at eighty, thirty-five pounds; at one hundred feet, forty pounds; and at one hundred and fifty feet, forty-five pounds. At this depth even the strongest Sand Hog finds it difficult to work, and much physical danger is involved. Between ninety and one hundred feet the strength of the best is well taxed. This depth brings a pay to the worker, instead of \$4 for forty minutes' work, into \$4.50 for forty minutes each, this much being an exhausting day's labor.

UNDER THE NERVE LASH.—The torture and torment of the victim of nervous and nervous debility no one can rightly estimate who has not been under the ruthless lash of these relentless human foes. M. Williams, of Fordwich, Ont., was for four years a nervous wreck. Six bottles of South American Nerve worked a miracle, and his doctor confirmed it. Sold by Deas & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.—28.

A CHINESE DINNER TABLE.

The table is ready laid with an imposing show, a regulation number of regulation dishes, marshaled in regulation order; quaint porcelain stands filled with slices of oranges, pears, or cold goose; towers of purple quince jelly squares, grapes, or shrimps; chicken breast; saucers of shrimps sautéed in their skins; and, never forgotten, the famous eggs, preserved for years in lime, and served, sliced, in beds of brown jelly (much prized for its acid and rather ammoniacal flavor, but not usually appreciated by foreigners). Hot wine of various brands and vintages is served throughout. That most commonly drunk is a kind of sack or sherry negus—a yellow wine distilled from Indian corn. Being comparatively mild, it is served in small cups; ardent white spirits—rice-samsun—in thimblefuls. "Rosed" wine is one of several varieties, flavored with roses. (No wine is made from grapes, though they are plentiful in North China.)

When all are seated ready for the fray the host raises his cup.

"Let us drink!"

We reply, "Thanks! thanks!" then set to with chopsticks, picking now from one dish, now from another, in pleasant contrast of sweet, sour and salt.—Blackwood's Magazine.

Blacks That Hold Till the Goods Are Worn Out.

THREE SPECIAL Diamond Dye Blacks.

Black is the most useful of all colors, and is more worn to-day than ever before. Any color that is now faded and rusty can be dyed over a rich and deep black.

The three Blacks—Diamond Dye Fast Black for All Wool, Diamond Dye Fast Black for Cotton and Mixed Goods, and Diamond Dye Fast Black for Silk and Feathers, are all guaranteed not to fade or wash out. Diamond Dye Blacks maintain their full, rich shades till the goods are worn out. These wonderful Black dyes are simple and easy to use, and no experience is needed to do good work with them—a child who can read the directions can dye successfully with Diamond Dyes.

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TO SOFTEN HARD WATER.

When water is made hard by carbonate of lime it may be softened by the use of quicklime, soda or ammonia. writes Maria Parloa of "To Get the Best Results in the Home Laundry," in the February Ladies' Home Journal. "When there is time to allow the water to settle the lime is the best agent. To soften with the lime, pour the water in a large tank or hogshead. Pour enough water on the quicklime to make it. When it falls to powder add enough water to make a thin cream and then stir into the water in the tank. Use one ounce of lime for every forty gallons of water. Do not let any undissolved lime go into the water. Allow the water to stand for twelve hours. For softening with soda, dissolve a pound of soda in one quart of boiling water and when cold, bottle it. Add a gill of this liquid soda to about twenty gallons of water. Water that is discolored by the soil, as is so often the case after a heavy rain, or when the water pipes are being repaired, should be strained through Canton flannel."

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S. S. MARIPOSA, Sat., March 16, at 2 p. m.

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CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

Bri. Ship "Itala"

THORNBURN, Master, FROM LONDON.

This vessel will commence discharging cargo at the outer wharf on Thursday, February 21st, and following days. Consignees are requested to present bills of lading to the office of the undersigned, pay freight, and receive average deposit of 100 per cent, and receive orders for their goods.

All goods remaining on the wharf after 5 o'clock each day, and while on the wharf, will be at the risk of the consignees, respectively, and may be stored at their expense.

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The Str. Boscowitz

Will sail from Spratt's Wharf for Nanaimo and West ports on Monday, Feb. 25th, at 8 p. m. For freight and passage apply at 36 Fort street. The Company reserves the right to change the date of sailing without notification.

J. D. WARREN, Manager.

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E. & N. Railway.

Time Table No 40

Effective December 19, 1901.

NORTH BOUND

Trains leave Victoria for Wellington and intermediate stations at 9:00 a. m. daily, Saturday and Sunday, 9:00 a. m. and 3:10 p. m.

Excursion tickets on sale to and from all points. Good Saturdays and Sunday.

Stage leaves Nanaimo every Tuesday and Friday. Returning, leaves Alberni every Monday and Thursday.

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Stage leaves Westholm daily except Sunday.

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GEO. L. COURTNEY, Traffic Manager.

Pacific Coast Steamship Co.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The Company's steamships of the State of California, Walla Walla, Umatilla, and Columbia, carrying H. B. M. mail, leave Victoria, B. C., on Feb. 3, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28, March 4, 9, 14, 19, 24, 29, April 4, 9, 14, 19, 24, 29, 1901.

Passengers ticketed through to all Euro-Asian ports and prepaid passages arranged for.

For reservations and all information apply to B. W. GREER, General Agent, Victoria.

W. F. CUMMINGS, Genl. S.S. Agent, Winalago.

Pacific Coast Steamship Co.

FOR ALASKA

LEAVE SEATTLE 9 P. M.

Cottage City, Feb. 9, 24, March 11, 26, April 10, 25, 30, April 14, 29, May 13, 28, 31, April 15, 30, May 14, 29, June 13, 28, 31, May 15, 30, June 14, 29, July 13, 28, 31, June 16, 31, July 15, 30, August 13, 28, 31, July 17, 31, August 15, 30, September 13, 28, 31, August 18, 31, September 15, 30, October 13, 28, 31, September 20, 31, October 15, 30, November 13, 28, 31, October 20, 31, November 15, 30, December 13, 28, 31, November 20, 31, December 15, 30, 1901.

For further information obtain folder. The company reserves the right to change steamer, sailing dates and hours of sailing, without previous notice.

R. E. RITHEB & CO., Agents, 61 Wharf St., Victoria, B. C.

TICKET OFFICE, 411 First Ave., Seattle, W. W. MILLER, Comm. Agent, G. W. MILLER, Asst. General Agent, Seattle, Wash.

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Trains will run between Victoria and Sidney as follows:

DAILY:
Leave Victoria at 7:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m.
Leave Sidney at 3:15 a.m., 5:15 p.m.

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY:
Leave Victoria at 7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m.
Leave Sidney at 3:15 a.m., 5:15 p.m.

Connecting with the Victoria & Sidney Railway (weather permitting), will sail as follows:
Monday and Thursday—Leave Sidney at 8 a. m., enroute to Fulford, Ganano, Galiano, Mayne, Pender, Saturday and Sidney.
Tuesday and Friday—Leave Nanaimo at 7 a. m., calling at Gabriola, Fernwood, Mayne, Ganano, Fulford and Sidney.
Wednesday—Leave Sidney at 8 a. m., calling at Fulford, Ganano, Galiano, Mayne, Pender, Saturday and Sidney.
Saturday—Leave Sidney at 8 a. m., calling at Saturday, Pender, Mayne, Galiano, Ganano, Fulford and Sidney.
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A new remedy which quickly cures men's weakness, varicocle, etc., and restores the organs to strength and vigor. Dr. J. W. Knapp, 2044 Hill Building, Detroit, Mich., gladly sends free the receipt of this wonderful remedy in order that every weak man may cure himself at home.

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Dominion-Dominion Line	London	Mar. 23
Namidian-Allan Line	London	Mar. 13
Corinthian-Allan Line	London	Mar. 23
Lake Ontario-Beaver Line	Fr. St. John	Mar. 1
Montfort-Beaver Line	London	Mar. 6
Commonwealth-Dominion Line	Fr. Boston	Mar. 13
New England-Dominion Line	London	Mar. 23
Ivernia-Cunard Line	London	Mar. 27
Ultonia-Cunard Line	London	Mar. 10
FROM NEW YORK		
Ettricia-Cunard Line	London	Mar. 2
Lucania-Cunard Line	London	Mar. 9
Laurentian-Allan State Line	London	Mar. 9
Tenby-White Star Line	London	Mar. 6
Germania-White Star Line	London	Mar. 13
Vaderland-American Line	London	Mar. 13
Southwest-American Line	London	Mar. 13
Ethiopia-Anchor Line	London	Mar. 9
St. Louis-American Line	London	Mar. 9
Wilhelm-Greiner Line	London	Mar. 2
Helena-Bates, Billings, Denver, Omaha, St. Joseph, Chicago, St. Louis and all points east and southeast	London	Mar. 2
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"IDZUMI MARU" will arrive February 20th from Japan, China and all Asiatic ports.

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Fast Mail

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Have added two more trains (the Fast Mail) to their St. Paul-Chicago service, making eight trains daily.

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TIME CARD.

Effective Sunday, Nov. 25, 1900.

Spokane	At 6:00 p.m.
Roseland	At 2:10 p.m.
Nelson	At 1:15 p.m.
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Night Train	
Spokane	At 7:00 a.m.
Roseland	At 7:00 a.m.
Nelson	At 7:00 a.m.

Great Northern standard sleeper will be attached to night trains.

H. A. JACKSON, General Passenger Agent.

Provincial News

William W. Chapman, father of Mrs. R. C. Ribbet, passed away at the general hospital on Thursday afternoon...

Tom Ewen arrived in Ashcroft last week from his nine months' tour around the world. He left Ashcroft in June, 1900...

Local builders anticipate a lively season in building over spring opening. It has been estimated that fully \$20,000 will be spent in the erection of new buildings...

Greenwood is to have a sisters' hospital. Rev. Father Bedard is the authority for the statement that the sisters have practically decided to open in Greenwood...

Heartbroken Over His Dear Wife's Pain and Illness, He Was Correspondingly Delighted at Her Recovery—His Story is an Interesting One.

"My wife has been so relieved by the use of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets, that I feel in duty bound to write and tell you, in the hope that some other poor sufferer may find health and strength."

"So writes Mr. Wm. Lane, of Greenwood, Ont., a well-known and highly respected gentleman, and one whose solicitude for the health and comfort of those who are near enough to him to observe it."

"She had known what comfort was for two or three years. She had a constant pain in the stomach and bowels, bloating after eating, wind on the stomach and acute pain on one side. We tried several doctors, but could get no relief for her. She was growing gradually worse and we were beginning to despair of securing a remedy."

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"Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets are not a cure all, but a specific for diseases of the Stomach and Digestive Organs—an honest remedy heartily endorsed by many honest men and women."

"Capt. Troup, the newly appointed superintendent of the C. P. R. steamers on the North Pacific Coast, passed through Wiango yesterday morning from Montreal."

"The Conservatives have selected James Halliday, of Chesley, as candidate for North Bruce."

RHEUMATISM



My RHEUMATISM CURE is just as certain to cure rheumatism as water is to quench thirst. No matter what part of the body the pain may be in or whether it is acute or chronic...

Local builders anticipate a lively season in building over spring opening. It has been estimated that fully \$20,000 will be spent in the erection of new buildings...

Greenwood is to have a sisters' hospital. Rev. Father Bedard is the authority for the statement that the sisters have practically decided to open in Greenwood...

Heartbroken Over His Dear Wife's Pain and Illness, He Was Correspondingly Delighted at Her Recovery—His Story is an Interesting One.

"My wife has been so relieved by the use of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets, that I feel in duty bound to write and tell you, in the hope that some other poor sufferer may find health and strength."

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"Capt. Troup, the newly appointed superintendent of the C. P. R. steamers on the North Pacific Coast, passed through Wiango yesterday morning from Montreal."

"The Conservatives have selected James Halliday, of Chesley, as candidate for North Bruce."

Mining News

The John and Great Western, McLaughlin properties, are to be worked with larger forces in the spring. The Surprise, in McLaughlin basin, has seven men on development.

Mr. George Montbard, contributing the first of a series of articles on "The Capital of Morocco," to The Art Journal, says: "The Sultan's Palace, when seen close by, has an austere aspect with its dark embattlement towering into the sky."

Work at the Rambler-Cariboo mine is chiefly confined to development, only five or six men of the force of fifty working on the 200-foot level in the mountain.

Per steamer Schom from the Sound—John Smith, P. McLean, W. W. Marcor, J. J. Grawpoch, C. Jerry, A. V. Locke, S. D. Saunders, R. J. Rhoades, S. Rhoades, G. S. Muer, J. Collins, D. O. Brown, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. B. W. Brown, B. Cross, Mrs. Cross, W. Cross, Jim Cross, D. P. Fulton, Mrs. Fulton, W. McLean, Mrs. P. P. Rivers, E. T. Davies, E. Stanley, Mrs. Stanley, W. B. Moore, Grace Moore, Grant Kelcey, E. Briggs, E. Johnson, G. Johnson, J. Falkner, J. McDonald, W. Johnson, J. Edwards, Chas. Lafare, G. Judkins, J. M. Villamin, F. Daley, D. C. McLeod, J. H. Crane, J. Thompson, J. Johnson, R. Macdon, M. Johnson, Mrs. Butcher.

Per steamer Farallon from the Sound—W. L. Linton, Mrs. Linton, Mrs. De Vito, Mrs. Babcock, J. Gilbert, E. Spencer, Chas. Miller, W. Burnett, T. Hogan, J. Maroni, J. C. Edwards, Rev. W. Barter, Mrs. Woodward, Miss Woodward, F. V. Austin, Mrs. Windle, S. Hope, W. B. Lee, Miss Fraser, M. C. Nelson, Bishop of Caledonia, L. O. Wain, G. O'Hara, J. N. Anderson, J. Turner, E. M. Kadek, W. Todd, Mrs. R. Whitland, J. Gilmour, Mrs. R. Irving, A. Gushfield, Mrs. Sommer, Master Sommer, L. R. Harkins, T. M. Miller, A. S. Sampson, Mrs. Allison.

Per steamer Princess Louise from Vancouver—Miss Gilchrist, S. A. Parsons, G. W. Scott, L. Lott, Mrs. G. Adams, E. Smith, H. Simonds, Mrs. Stoddart, Miss Stoddart, D. Burns, W. F. Knight, W. A. Todd, F. Whitfield, R. Rogers, J. Carrington, G. L. Fralick, Miss Fralick, E. J. Hayward, Miss Stewart, Mrs. Irvine, Mrs. Stanley, Miss H. Lord, J. D. Roberts, R. V. Elliott, Dr. P. Fougation, E. Roswell, Geo. Adams, Mrs. Clark, R. M. Smith, E. Smith, A. Begg, P. Munro, J. Jamson, C. May, Miss Emberton, C. M. Roberts, Mrs. H. Simmons, Miss J. Simmons, W. H. Boun, E. Miller, J. H. Dixon, J. Russell, Mrs. Turner, S. Court.

Per steamer Schom from the Sound—A. J. Jamson, M. D. B. Co., T. McQuade & Sigs, J. Johnston, Hickman T. H. Co., Martine Hawks, G. Robinson, E. A. Haynes, Welby Breg, J. Outhart, J. Flury & Co., H. Mansell, W. S. Fraser & Co., R. Cross, T. Luscombe.

Per steamer Farallon from the Sound—E. G. Prior & Co.

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Its Purity is its Strength. Flavor and Fragrance its natural attributes. CHASE & SANBORN, MONTREAL AND BOSTON.

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TRANS-CASPIAN TRAIN. On the trans-Caspian railway there are two kinds of trains—the train and the post-train. And the difference between them is that the latter has a restaurant car and the former has not.

Now is reacted Galt, in the death in a railway accident near Chicago of John H. Galt, C. E., a native of Strathburg, this county. Mr. Hishop was superintendent of the White Pass railway at Skagway, and mayor of that town.

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Notice to Dairymen and Milk Venders. After the 1st day of March next the provisions of the "Milk Vendors By-Law" will be enforced.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. SOMAS RIVER BRIDGE, ALBERNI DISTRICT, B. C.

Sealed tenders, properly indorsed, will be received by the undersigned up to noon of Wednesday, the 15th March next, for the erection and completion of a bridge across the Somas River, near Alberni, Alberni District, B. C.

RESERVE GRABAM ISLAND. Notice is hereby given that the Crown lands on Grabam Island, Queen Charlotte Group, are reserved until further notice.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE. CASIARIAN DISTRICT. Notice is hereby given that the reservation placed on Crown lands situated in the Bennett Lake and Atlin Lake Mining Divisions of Cassiar District, Victoria, B. C., 30th January, 1901.

EXHIBITION 1901. A meeting of members of the British Columbia Agricultural Association will be held at the City Hall on Tuesday, February 26, 1901, at 8 p.m.

TO LADIES. I will send free to every suffering lady five days' treatment of a simple home remedy that completely cures me of female diseases of the worst kind.

RAILSTON PHYSICAL CULTURE. First lessons on February 4th, 1901. Mrs. B. H. Haines, certified lecturer, deputed to receive pupils.

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Dangerous Travelling

Stage Loaded With Passengers Broke Through Ice - No Lives Lost.

Conflict at Skagway Between Military and Civil Authorities - Charged by Soldiers.

(Associated Press.)

Port Townsend, Feb. 26.-According to advices received by the steamship Senator, arriving to-day from Skagway, travel on the ice in the Yukon is exceedingly dangerous. A number of accidents occurred, but none resulted fatally. A telegram from Dawson, dated February 19th, says that a stage loaded with passengers broke through the ice and precipitated all into the river. They were rescued by travellers who witnessed the accident.

The mounted police are posting warning notices along the river.

Dawson is free from smallpox but vaccination still continues. Public vaccinators, escorted by a squad of police, are making a house to house visit, and every one who cannot show a certificate is forced to submit to inoculation.

The Drigo, arriving yesterday forenoon, reports that on February 18th a clash occurred at Skagway between the military and the civil authorities which caused considerable excitement. On the night of February 18th a sentry on duty in front of the barracks called out the guard, claiming he had been shot at by a civilian. The guard charged the crowd of bystanders, commanding them to throw up their hands. Among the crowd were McLean and Fraser, two patrolmen, whom the colored soldiers seized and took to the guard house. Indignation ran high at Skagway, and when the steamer sailed the matter was being investigated.

OUTBREAK OF RINDERPEST.

It is Likely to Cause Much Suffering in the Philippines.

(Associated Press.)

Manila, Feb. 26.-An epidemic of rinderpest exists in the Visayas islands. The disease first appeared on Burias and spread thence to Ticao and Masbate, and it is now approaching on the island of Panay. Twenty-five thousand caribou have died on Masbate island. The natives are now dependent on the caribou for agricultural operations, and the disease has minimized rice planting and restricted the sugar crop and much suffering is likely to ensue. Rigid quarantine measures have been adopted.

SHORT OF FUNDS.

John Redmond to Visit the United States in Search of Money.

(Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 26.-The Pall-Mall Gazette this afternoon, commenting on the alleged shortage of the Irish parliament funds, says: "It is becoming a serious matter to the party that not a single American dollar is reaching the official exchequer, and it is generally accepted among the Irish leaders that Mr. John Redmond will shortly have to undertake a fresh visit to the United States and try to secure financial help."

THE STEEL COMBINE.

New York, Feb. 25.-Wall street swayed with intense eagerness to-day for news of the Morgan-Carnegie steel combine. Up to noon the only definite news that had been received was that articles of incorporation had been filed with the county clerk in Jersey City by the United States Steel Corporation. Another conference of all those interested in the corporation took place at J. Pierpont Morgan's office to-day. It was stated, on good authority, that the so-called terms of the deal heretofore published were nothing more than guesswork. The exact terms of the deal, it was said, have not yet been settled, and were not likely to be before the end of the week, if they

HUNTING FOR A NEGRO

Who Fatally Assaulted a Young School Teacher.

(Associated Press.)

Terre Haute, Ind., Feb. 26.-Ida Finklestein, aged 20 years, a school teacher, while walking through the lengthy strip of woods yesterday away from the school to her home, was assaulted by an unknown negro who shot her in the back of the head and cut her throat, severing the wind pipe. After the assault Miss Finklestein walked a short distance to a friend's home with the blood streaming from her wounds and fell unconscious on the door step. Late in the evening she died. An angry crowd is searching for the negro.

Taken From Jail and Lynched.

Terre Haute, Ind., Feb. 26.-George Ward, 27 years old, a colored man formerly employed in the car works here, was arrested to-day and, according to the police, confessed to having murdered Ida Finklestein.

Ward had recently been discharged from an asylum as cured. Apparently he is demented now. In his confession Ward said Miss Finklestein taunted him about his color, and then struck him in the throat. He failed to explain, however, how he came to be engaged in conversation with the victim.

At 12:30 p. m. a mob, wrought to a tremendous pitch of fury, gathered in front of the county jail and battered down the outer door. Jailer Lawrence O'Donnell appeared with a shot gun and fired over the crowd in a vain effort to stampede them. The deputy sheriffs were wounded by shots from the crowd. Ward's confession was passed through the streets and the crowd, reinforced by hundreds of recruits, redoubled its attack on the jail. At 12:45 they succeeded in reaching Ward's cell. He was quickly dragged out to the street and lynched.

WAS HEIR TO A FORTUNE.

(Associated Press.)

Vallojo, Cal., Feb. 26.-On the night of February 9th, 1890, an unknown man was assaulted in Arley's lumber yard and died a week or so later at the county hospital from the effects of his wounds. At the hospital he gave his name as E. C. Newall. To-day Chief of Police Stanford received a letter from a law firm of New Bedford, Mass., which shows that the murdered man was heir to a big estate in that city. In giving his name, the victim had transposed his right name, which was Newall E. Clark.

LESE MAJESTE.

(Associated Press.)

Berlin, Feb. 26.-Herr Buena, of the reichstag, has been sentenced to serve three months in jail on the charge of lese majeste.

WRECK LOCATED.

The Rio de Janeiro Lies in Thirteen Fathoms of Water.

(Associated Press.)

San Francisco, Feb. 26.-It is stated that the position of the wrecked Rio de Janeiro was located by sounding in 13 fathoms of water, a depth at which divers can work. It is exactly one-quarter of a mile north-west of Fort Point buoy, within a stone's throw of the walls of Fort Wincoast. It is possible that the imprisoned bodies may be recovered.

NICARAGUAN CANAL.

Negotiations With Imperial Government Will Be Conducted From Washington.

(Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 26.-The Nicaragua negotiations have been, or are on the point of being, entirely transferred to Washington. The British ambassador in that city is empowered to deal with the suggestions of the British government.

The usual weekly cabinet meeting was held this afternoon.

STEAMER WRECKED.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 26.-The steamer Newark, of the quartermaster's department, reported wrecked on Catanduanes island, undoubtedly is the small steamer purchased at a cost of about \$5,000 and used for the transportation of supplies in the Philippines. This is the only vessel that name in the quartermaster's department.

SANG WITHOUT STRINGS.

(Associated Press.)

"Enormous pains and care go to the making of a good violin," says an authority. "Indeed, it has been said that the great violin makers all lived within the compass of a hundred and fifty years. They expended extraordinary care in finding just the right wood. They learned to tell the density of the wood by touching it. The house of Stradivarius was an oven. In this great heat the oils thinned and slumbered slowly, and penetrated far into the wood, until the varnishes became a part of the wood itself.

"So vibrant and resonant is the wood of good old violins that they murmur and sing in answer to any sound, where number of them hang together on a wall. It was doubtless owing to this fact that superstitious individuals, carried away by Paganini's wonderful playing, declared that he had a human soul imprisoned in his violin; for the instrument sang and whispered even when all the strings were off." - Cassell's Saturday Journal.

Liquid air is the force of the future. It is an explosive of a most dangerous kind; it may be used as an anesthetic; it may be used to purify anything. In a word, says Sir Walter Besant, in the Queen, it is another giant caught, imprisoned, and made to do the will of man. "I have not the least doubt," he continues, "that before many months are past liquid air will be captured by the inventor and used for the destruction of a whole army many miles distant by the hand of a drummer-boy."

The Rev. E. Husband, vicar of St. Michael's, Folkestone, tells an amusing story. An intending bride put up the banns, and after being "asked" for the first time she told him she had lightened her affections upon another man. Accordingly the change was made in the banns, and after these had been published for the first time the woman again called on the vicar and told him she had decided, after all, to stick to her first choice. These two were duly married.

CANADIAN COMPANY LAW.

The Times is in receipt of a very handy book of reference from the house of C. T. Forest, law bookeller, Montreal.

The author, Mr. W. P. White, explains his purpose as follows: "The basis of this book has been the Companies' act of the Dominion. The arrangement of that act has been generally followed, and where the Provincial acts are not in effect the same, these provisions have been pointed out. The winding-up act is treated in the 'winding-up' chapter. There are so many excellent works upon the subject of Joint Stock Companies, and the principles are of such universal application that the necessity for a Canadian work might be questioned, but unfortunately parliament has not always followed the improvements that have been made elsewhere, and our system, especially in regard to incorporation, remains somewhat antiquated. One of the main objects of this book has been to collect and refer to all the leading Canadian cases. This jurisprudence is not very extensive, but most of the decisions have dealt with important questions and have been carefully considered. At the same time, the standard text books have been consulted and will be found referred to constantly. The monumental work of Judge Thompson from the United States point of view and the admirable works of Mr. Palmer, Mr. Buckley, Judge Lindley and other English commentators have been compared and where necessary distinguished.

The aim has been to make the book as complete as possible, so that it might be useful, not only to the profession as a digest of the Canadian cases, but that the text might be sufficiently clearly expressed to serve the student and stockholders in general. On points regarding which there is no Canadian jurisprudence or conflicting decisions, the conclusions stated in the text have not all cases received the approval of the courts, but the greatest possible care has been applied to have the references reliable, so that recourse to them may be facilitated. The cases were at first collected by Mr. E. Longueville Snow, librarian of the New York Life building, Montreal, and were laboriously verified and added to as the work advanced by Mr. J. A. Ewing, Advocate, who also rendered valuable assistance in the revision of the text. A few of the most useful forms are added in an appendix, for many of which I am indebted to Mr. W. E. Hodgins, M. A., of the department of justice, Ottawa, who, among his other duties, is specially charged with matters coming under the provisions of the Companies' act. An appendix contains the text of the Dominion acts relating to Joint Stock companies, and also the acts of the provinces of Ontario, Quebec, and British Columbia. Those of the other provinces, it was thought, would not be of such general necessity and will be readily accessible to barristers in the respective provinces by applying to the provincial secretaries.

SPORTING NEWS

(Associated Press.)

CRICKET. SEASON IN FULL BLAST. The cricket season in Australia is now in full blast. The first of the interstate cricket matches of the new Commonwealth of Australia was between South Australia and New South Wales, played at Sydney the first week in January. It resulted in the world's record, South Australia being beaten by an innings and 66 runs.

HOCKEY.

GAME WITH VANCOUVER. A meeting of the Victoria hockey team will be held this evening for the purpose of deciding the date of the game with Vancouver. It is now proposed to hold the match on the 9th of next month. A practice for the purpose of preparing for this game will be held next Saturday at Oak Bay. Advices from Vancouver state that the Vancouver hockey team is also practicing regularly for the match.

LACROSSE.

THREE BOYS FROM VICTORIA. Arrangements are steadily going forward for the projected tour to Australia by a team from British Columbia. In talking with a local lacrosse enthusiast a Times man elicited the information that so far it had been decided to take three boys from Victoria, probably Scholefield, Belfry and another whose name has not yet been decided. When asked if any preparations had been made for the boys' lacrosse, he stated that all such preparations would probably be left until the question of the Australian tour has been decided. As soon as those who would leave for Australia had been decided upon, the teams of Victoria and Vancouver will re-organize and arrange for the games of the season.

BASKETBALL.

PORTLAND AGAIN VICTORIOUS. The return game between the Y. M. C. A. team from Portland and the J. R. A. A. which took place at the drill hall last evening, again resulted in a victory for the visitors by one point. As on Saturday evening, the game was a fast one from the start to the finish, and in the first half the boys in blue had decidedly the best of it. The half was fairly well filled, though not so crowded as on the former occasion, and the excitement was intense all through.

The score on the completion of the first half stood 11 to 4 in favor of the local team. In the second half the Portland boys seemed to brace up, and, much to the disgust of the backers of the boys in blue, gradually evened the score. When the match was completed the score was 13 to 12 in favor of the visitors. It is a remarkable coincidence that both games should be a victory for the boys in red by one point, and they doubtless went away with a feeling of respect for the prowess of the J. R. A. A. boys. One of the Portland team, Mr. Cox, acted as referee, and some complaints were made regarding his decisions.

Under the Belgian law unmarried men over twenty-five have one vote, married men and widowers with families have two votes, and priests and other persons of position and education have three votes. Severe penalties are imposed on those who fail to vote.

The inhabitants of Arran, where the population is 1,000, are plentifully employed as a substitute for tea.

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TO CONTRACTORS

Tenders are required for the erection of a large frame addition to an Hotel at Field for the City R. R.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of F. M. Rattenbury, Architect, after Thursday, Feb. 28, between 3 and 5 P. M.

Tenders to be sent in on or before March 14th next. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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Black Tail	11	10
Brackton & Golden Ore	7 1/2	4
Canadian G. P. S.	7 1/2	6 1/2
Cariboo McKinney	37	33
Cariboo Hydraulic	1 61	1 54
Centre Star	1 12	1 00
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	60 00	64 00
California	5 1/4	4 1/2
Deer Trail Con	7	5
Evening Star	7	5
Fairview Corp	3 1/4	3
Golden Star	2 1/2	2 1/4
Globe	4 1/2	3 1/2
Giant	4 1/2	3 1/2
Iron Mask	4 1/2	3 1/2
Knob Hill	60	45
Granby Smelter	47	43
Morning Glory	8 1/2	7
Morrison	8 1/2	7
Noble Fire	4	2 1/2
North Star	80	80 1/2
Old Tronides	81	70
Olive	12	10 1/2
Payne	45	42
Hambley Cariboo Con	30 1/2	29 1/2
Public	46	43
Shagan Sovereign	6 1/4	4
Virtue	30	25
War Eagle Con	55	45
Waterloo	3 1/2	2 1/2
White Bear	4 1/2	4 1/4
Whitpool	6	4 1/2
Sullivan	14	12 1/2
Sales-Golden Star, 500 at 2 1/2; Rambler, 500 at 30; Morrison, 5,000 at 8; White Bear, 1,500 at 4 1/2; 100 at 4 1/2; 1,500 at 4 1/2; 500, 500, 500, 500, 500 at 4 1/2.		

WALKER STREET.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Feb. 26.-The market opened feverish and unsettled under the influence of the conflicting movements in the steel stocks. The sale of 5,000 shares of Steel and Wire carried that stock down from 43 1/2 to 43, compared with 45 last night. On the other hand, American Hoop, on the sale of 5,000 shares, was quoted at 37 and 37 1/2, compared with 35 last night. National Tube rose 1/2. The other members of the group showed fractional changes both ways. The changes in the railroad list were also mixed, and the international stocks generally failed to respond to the advances in London. The stock market opened irregular.

Singular circumstances of death were detailed at an inquest at Newport, Mon.

A young collier, named Finny, had eleven teeth extracted under ether. When efforts were made to restore consciousness he sprang from the chair in which he was seated, fell back and expired. It seems that one of the springs placed in his mouth to absorb about from the fumes by which vertebrae had entered the windpipe.

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This very fine quality of Scotch Whisky is fast growing in favor in British Columbia. It has for many years been the leading whisky all over Europe, and is to be obtained in all the leading hotels, clubs and refreshment places in London and other large cities of Great Britain. It is termed the "Johnnie Walker," which means Walker's famous "Kilmarnock."

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(Associated Press.)

BIRTHS.

M'FERE-At Nelson, on Feb. 26th, the wife of A. W. McFere, of a daughter.

WADDS-At Nelson, on Feb. 18th, the wife of David Wadds, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

COOK-EWING-At the residence of the bride's parents, Seattle, on the 20th Feb., by Rev. Donald Ross, George J. Cook, of Victoria, to Sarah Janet Ewing, of Seattle.

LEWIS-CARLON-At Revelstoke, on Feb. 18th, by Rev. Father Thayer, Michael Penrose, of McGillivray, B. C., and Miss Lizette Carlon, of Toronto.

DIED.

FISHER-On the 25th inst., at Jubilee hospital, George W. Fisher, aged 72 years. Funeral will take place from Victoria Undertaking Parlors, 92 Johnson street, on Wednesday, the 27th inst., at 2:30 p. m.

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Driven From Position

Boers Compelled to Fall Back After Severe Fight With Methuen's Force.

British Lost Three Officers and Thirteen Men Killed—Botha's Address.

London, Feb. 22.—Lord Kitchener telegraphs the war office as follows: "Klerksdorp, Feb. 21.—Methuen's force, marching from the north, entered the country through Wolmarstad. "At Hartbeestfontein, fourteen hundred Boers under Generals De Villiers and Louw, opposed him. They held a strong position obstinately, but were turned out after severe fighting, in which the Yeomanry and Victorian Bushmen and Lancashires distinguished themselves. "Our casualties were three officers and thirteen men killed and five officers and twenty-five men wounded. The Boers left eighteen men dead on the ground and suffered severely. "Dispatches to the Daily Mail report a Johannesburg rumor that Commandant-General Botha is suing for peace. Lord Kitchener, it appears, has issued instructions that no goods of any description are to go forward by the Delagoa Bay line until further notice, with the exception of urgent military and hospital supplies. This order is supposed to indicate a big move eastward. "Looted a Train. "Johannesburg, Feb. 20.—The Boers destroyed a culvert between Natalasuit and Klip river, on the railroad just south of here, at dawn to-day. They captured a train load of food stuffs and after taking all they could conveniently carry, set fire to the rest and disappeared over the veldt. "Botha's Address to Burgers. "Standerford, Feb. 21.—A deserter who has arrived here relates that Commandant-General Botha assembled his men on February 2nd and addressed them. He reminded them that the American colonies fought for more than six years to secure independence, and appealed to them to fight as long or even longer, if necessary, until no man was left. "Some of the burglers replied that they did not see how they could fight much longer, as the British were destroying all the crops and capturing all the cattle and sheep, while the ammunition was nearly exhausted, save about six rounds. "When this is gone," they said, "where shall we get more?" "Gen. Botha replied that the Lord would provide them with the means of fighting. "The Exportation of Horses. "New York, Feb. 21.—Sir Chas. Dilke is quoted in a London dispatch to the World as saying, relative to whether America's permission to England to obtain supplies of horses for use in Africa is a breach of neutrality. "It is not a breach of neutrality, but any government may refuse to allow horses to be exported without committing an unfriendly act. Some countries never permit the export of horses for war purposes. The Turks for instance. Others, the Austria-Hungary, have a law against it, but where they are friendly disposed toward each of the belligerents, such countries occasionally wink at a breach of this law. "Austria-Hungary has allowed us to export horses to Africa, and there is no breach of neutrality involved. It is a case of catch me if you can. There are plenty of precedents for refusing to allow horses to be exported for war purposes. "De Aar, Cape Colony, Feb. 19.—Commandant Freneman's force, about 1,000 strong, has separated from Gen. Dewet and gone north. "Gen. Dewet is moving westward to meet Commandant Hertzog, who is coming with a fresh supply of horses. "Mercenaries Shot. "London, Feb. 23.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Pietermaritzburg records the capture of a gang of German mercenaries and dynamiters who were attempting to destroy a bridge near Krugersdorp. After they were captured they tried to escape, and some of them had to be shot down. "War Questions and Answers. "London, Feb. 22.—In the House of Commons today Mr. Broderick, secretary of state for war, took occasion to offer an explanation regarding the retirement of Major-General Colville, for which he had been so much criticized. "Gen. Colville, said Mr. Broderick, had been sent home by Lord Roberts for inefficiency in the field. Gen. Colville had never been tried, and though his case had been considered on his return to England, and he had been allowed to resume his command at Gibraltar, he had not been exonerated from blame. Subsequently Sir Evelyn Wood, the adjutant-general, had brought the Lindsey disaster to Mr. Broderick's notice. After consultation with Lord Roberts, who had advised that Gen. Colville should not be allowed to retain his command at Gibraltar, Mr. Broderick had ordered action in accordance with his advice. Mr. Broderick stated that he understood the matter would be brought to the attention of the house later, and therefore he would defer a fuller statement. "Reply to Mr. Dillon (Irish Nationalist).

ist), Mr. Broderick said he had received a telegram from Sir Alfred Milner, confirming the ill-treatment of natives by the Boers at Calvinia. Sir Alfred Milner said he had no doubt but that the Boers murdered the man named Esau, who was flogged and afterwards shot. Lord Cranborne, parliamentary secretary for the foreign office, assured Mr. Redmond that the Emperor of Germany had not offered to arbitrate the question of terminating the war in South Africa. Replying to a question of the cost of the war, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, said that this far £81,500,000 of bonds had been issued, and the weekly issue was from £1,000,000 to £1,250,000. Mr. Broderick inserted the information that the Boers in the field had been estimated at from twelve to twenty thousand. In January, there were 10,000 Boer prisoners, and this number had since been increased.

QUARTZ MINING.

Price of Locations on Dominion Lands Reduced.

(Special to the Times.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—An order-in-council has been passed providing that the price of quartz mining locations on Dominion lands be reduced to one dollar an acre, and that the necessary change be made in the several sections in the regulations in which the price is quoted at a higher figure. The order also provides that all Crown patents issued for quartz mining claims situated in the Yukon territory shall be made subject to the townsite provisions of the regulations governing the administration of Dominion lands in that territory, other than coal lands established by order-in-council dated 20th of July, 1900.

Wreckage Took Fire

Engines and Cars Demolished in a Collision Near Trenton, New Jersey.

Ten Passengers Were Killed and Twenty-Five Injured—Several May Die.

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 21.—A collision occurred on the Amboy division of the Pennsylvania railroad about 5.30 this evening at Rumlinsiding, near Bordentown, and about eight miles south of Trenton. The "Nellie Bly" express, from New York for Atlantic City, collided with passenger train No. 330, running from Camden to Trenton. The number of dead so far as known is ten, and the number of injured about twenty-five. A special train at about 9 o'clock from the scene of the wreck, brought four dead bodies and eighteen wounded persons to Trenton. The wounded were distributed among three Trenton hospitals. Other wounded were taken to Cooper hospital, Camden. Among the killed was Walter Earl, engineer of the express, and James Birmingham, baggage master of the local train. Most of the killed were Italians. Frank Boland, a passenger on train No. 330, an employee of the Pennsylvania railroad, had both legs cut off. The doctors say he will die. Michael McGraw, fireman on the "Nellie Bly," was badly injured, but is expected to recover. Frank Thompson, engineer of train No. 330, had a leg broken and is badly bruised. He is in a precarious condition. Edward Garwood, fireman on No. 330, was badly injured by jumping, but will recover. Edward Supp, conductor of No. 330, was also injured, but his wounds are not believed to be serious. Most of the remaining dead and injured are Italians. The Italians were riding in the smoking car of the express train. They were being taken to Atlantic City to do construction work for the railway company. The two trains collided at full speed, and both engines were completely demolished. The forward car of each train in both instances, combination baggage and smoker, were entirely demolished also, and to add to the horror, the wreckage took fire. The second car of the "Nellie Bly" turned on its side and the passengers had to climb out through the windows. The track at this point is so close to the Delaware and Potomac canal that the passengers, in getting out of the overturned car, got into the canal, and many of the bodies of the dead and injured had to be taken from the water. "Train Derailed. "Porter, N. W. T., Feb. 21.—The west-bound passenger train on the Soo division, was derailed six miles north of here this morning. The engine and all the cars left the track. There were several passengers on board for the Pacific coast and no one was hurt.

IBSEN'S HEALTH IMPROVING.

(Associated Press.)

Christiania, Feb. 21.—The cable report that Henrik Ibsen, the Norwegian poet and novelist, who has been suffering from inflammation, had suffered a relapse is unfounded. On the contrary his condition is improving daily.

MANITOBA LEGISLATURE.

Winnipeg, Feb. 21.—After the formal reading of the speech from the throne in the legislature to-day, the House adjourned until Monday next. Premier Roblin gave notice that the railway bills would be the first read on Tuesday next.

WENT DOWN IN TWENTY MINUTES

Steamer City of Rio de Janeiro Struck Hidden Rock Outside the Golden Gate This Morning.

MANY PERSONS HAVE BEEN DROWNED

There Was Great Confusion on Board After the Accident—In Trying to Escape Several Jumped From the Vessel.

(Associated Press.)

San Francisco, Feb. 22.—The City of Rio de Janeiro, Capt. Ward, from the Orient and Honolulu, struck on a rock early to-day, just outside the Golden Gate and sank in twenty minutes. A large number of persons were drowned.

The steamer was lying off the heads all night, an unusually heavy fog preventing her from entering the harbor. At five o'clock this morning she weighed anchor and headed for the city in charge of Pilot Fred Jordan.

Shortly afterward the vessel struck a hidden rock, and Pilot Jordan shouted for all on board to take to boats. The wildest confusion prevailed. The passengers and crew scrambled for the boats. In the endeavor to escape from the rapidly sinking vessel many jumped overboard.

Capt. Ward ordered several of the boats alongside, and the ladies of the cabin and some of the male passengers were placed in them. The boats were manned by part of the crew and headed cityward.

So far as known but three of the ship's boats left the vessel. On board the Rio were 29 cabin passengers, 130 in the steerage and 140 in the crew.

Tugs and other small boats quickly put out from this city for the scene of the disaster, and already they are straggling with large numbers of the rescued. There is unverified rumor to the effect that Consul Wildman, of Hongkong, and his son, were among those who were not drowned.

The following is a list of the known saved: Mr. K. West, Mrs. Kelly, Miss Lehman, J. K. Carpenter, Capt. Hechts, of the German navy; Wm. Gaspar, of Toledo, Ohio; R. H. Long, of Honolulu; Freight Clerk Hurley, of the Rio; Second Officer Goghlan, Carpenter F. K. Frank, Watchman J. Russian, Storekeeper Boggs, D. Lane, water tender; Quartermaster R. Matheson, E. S. Leary and Fred. Tunsted.

The steamer Sequoia, brought in 20 persons, not included in the above list. It is reported that Capt. Ward locked himself in his stateroom and went down with the vessel.

Pilot Fred Jordan was picked up by one of the boats. He was severely injured and was taken to the hospital. The vessel sunk in less than 20 minutes, and it is certain the list of fatalities will be large. Her smokestack and part of the pilot house are above water. Nineteen of the Chinese are known to have been rescued.

Hechts, a German officer, was rescued by the life-saving crew, and upon being taken ashore he was driven to the California hotel. He said, through an interpreter, that the fog prevented him from seeing what was going on in the work of rescue. Hechts procured a life-preserver, fastened it about his waist and jumped overboard. He was in the water only a short time when rescued. Pilot Jordan was taken on board yesterday afternoon inside the Parallels. The ship laid-to until 4.30 this morning, when the weather cleared somewhat. The steamer then started under half steam toward Point Beale. She held to her course until 5.20, when she struck a rock. There was a terrible shock. The vessel kept an even keel for 15 minutes when she suddenly pitched downward bow first. A boat had been launched to examine the vessel's position. The boat contained Third Officer Holland and J. K. Carpenter, a capitalist of Oakland. The Rio, in her plume, struck the little craft and it was destroyed. Carpenter

was engulfed him. Then he went up on the bridge, and from there continued to issue his directions, although by this time the confusion was so great that few paid any attention to his commands. "That the steamer sank almost immediately after striking is the report of a majority of those rescued. Some of the passengers say that she instantly listed forward, and in five minutes she went down, while others declare that she stayed afloat for half an hour after she struck.

The wreck lies about three-fourths of a mile south of Fort Point, and about 1,000 yards off the rocky shore. "There are several conflicting stories concerning the fate of Capt. Ward. The steward of the Rio says that he stood beside the captain when the vessel went down, while others declare that he stayed afloat for half an hour after she struck.

It was at this time that Lindstrom says he saw Capt. Ward standing on the forward deck. Suddenly the captain turned, and walking hurriedly to his cabin, disappeared behind the door, which he closed. A second later the vessel was plunging to the bottom of the sea.

"I was on the lookout," said the quartermaster, "when I heard the pilot yell, and the next instant the ship struck; instantly all was confusion. Many of the passengers had assembled on deck to see the harbor as the ship passed, and the women seemed to lose control of themselves. They screamed, and the men, crew and passengers were apparently dazed by the suddenness of the calamity. My attention was claimed by the ship, however, and I was at once she was badly punctured. When she struck she was beginning to settle by the head, and in a short time went down. When I saw all hope of saving the vessel was lost, I turned in and aided the officers and crew in saving the passengers.

Chinese were more panic-stricken than the white women. They rushed about the deck shouting, and some of them jumped overboard in their terror. We did our best to get the boats, but no time was limited, and I don't know how many boats were launched. I saw three boats filled with people leave the ship, but what became of them I had no means of ascertaining.

Capt. Ward had been in the employ of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company for many years. He first entered the service as a cadet on the steamship Tokio, and in 1888 was assigned to the command of the Rio de Janeiro. Later he was transferred to the Peru and then to the China, then to the City of Peking. He was placed in charge of the Rio de Janeiro again, and has been three years and a half on the ship. Capt. Ward was 35 years old and a native of North Carolina. A sister and two brothers are residents of Raleigh.

Capt. Frederick W. Jordan, the pilot of the Rio, was rescued by an Italian fishing boat. "List of Missing. "The following cabin passengers are missing: Rounaville Wildman, wife, two children and nurse; Mrs. K. West, J. T. Seymour, H. C. Matheson, Mr. and Mrs. Wakefield, Miss Rowena Jehu, Zong Hong, Dr. Okawara, Dr. Dodd, O. H. Henshaw, Mr. Dr. Woodworth, Mr. Dodwell. "The following officers and crew are missing: William Ward, captain; W. C. Johnson, first officer; John Rooney, purser; Russell Brighton, quartermaster; McCorn, first assistant engineer; Brady, second assistant engineer; Monroe, third assistant engineer; Dr. O'Neil, ship's doctor; D. A. Smith, water-tender; Savage, water-tender; Bennis, water-tender; H. Scott, steward; Borg, forekeeper; Albert Malcolm, saloon watchman; McArthur, storage watchman; Mrs. Dorman, stewardess.

Names of Rescued. "The following are rescued: Cabin—William Bradford, London; Jas. K. Carpenter, Oakland, Cal.; Mrs. Ripley, Miss Lehren, Russell Harper, E. C. Howell, R. H. Long, G. H. Entz, Capt. Hecht, R. H. Holtz, William Caspar, Toledo, Ohio. "Steerage—Frederick Castrini, W. D. Wade, Japanese officer; 48 Chinese and 4 Japanese. "Crew—Second Officer G. H. Cogan, Third Officer Holland, Chief Engineer Merrill, Ship's Carpenter Frank Cramp, Freight Clerk G. J. Englishard, R. H. Leary, Quartermaster R. M. Matheson, Quartermaster Fred. Lindstrom, Storekeeper E. Boggs, Steward H. Donahue, Seaman Howard.

San Francisco, Feb. 23.—The sinking of the Pacific Mail steamer Rio de Janeiro after striking a rock in the Golden Gate during the dense fog yesterday morning was the most appalling disaster this coast has known for many years. "Most of the bodies of the 120 or

more victims are at the bottom of the sea, and many of them may never be recovered. The water where the ship lies is deep, and the current swift, and the dead, with most of the wreckage, probably will be carried far out into the Pacific. "The number of lives lost may never be known exactly, owing to the fact that the ship's records were lost, and it is practically impossible to tell just how many Chinese were in the steerage. "The Call to-day, basing its figures on a statement of the Pacific Mail Steamship officials, says that 122 persons perished. The Chronicle gives the number at 128, and the Examiner states that 111 cannot be accounted for. "The statements made to me by Pilot Jordan indicate that there was a

Fog Hanging Around the Heads, and I think that undue haste was shown by the captain in bringing his vessel in. I cannot understand why there should have been so much haste shown considering the vessel lay outside all night. Captain Ward was a careful officer, and I learn that when he reached Honolulu with the Rio he waited outside the bar for 11 hours rather than take any chances in the rough weather. "Of course, he is not here to speak. I wish he were, for he was one of our best officers. He was brought up in our service, and we all feel deeply over his loss and those of his comrades. "No attempt has been made to place the blame for the disaster, but the Pacific Mail Co.'s officials state that the pilot was subject to the orders of the captain, who went down with the ship. "The wreck of the Rio, which for awhile hung on a pinnacle of the rock where she struck in the Golden Gate so that parts of the upper parts were visible, has

Slid Off Into Deep Water and is now entirely out of sight. "Port Point, opposite which Pilot Jordan claims the vessel struck, marks the narrowest point of the entrance to the bay, and is usually getting a wide berth by mariners. The tide here runs high, and at times has a swirling motion. Off Port Point lie several sunken rocks, forming a dangerous ledge on the southern edge of the Fairway channel of the bay, and close under the shore there is a light on top of the rock, and a fog bell, but the latter cannot be heard far when a westerly wind is blowing. "Pilot Capt. Jordan has been a master mariner on this coast for over twenty years. He came from the Atlantic coast about two years ago. Jordan was in command of the Wellington, the Bristol and other coal vessels plying between this port and Puget Sound. He was a remarkably successful navigator, and never before had any notable misfortune.

Jordan declares the loss of the steamer could not be foreseen. "According to his story the vessel drifted half a mile broadside in the fog that enveloped the homebound steamer—like a pall, and no man could have judged either the direction or the velocity of the invisible current that changed her course and sent her on the Port Point ledge. "The steamer company estimates that of the Chinese crew 91 were drowned. "Since 1890 the Rio had several accidents. During the past five years the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. has lost nineteen of the fleet. The foundering of the Rio de Janeiro does not result in the greatest loss of life, as 200 of the 300 Chinese passengers on the Golden Gate were lost off the coast of Mexico in 1892, while 400 Chinese were lost in the wreck of the steamer Japan off the Chinese coast in the early seventies. "The following lists of those known to have been drowned and those saved are believed to be accurate:

Passengers Drowned. "Rounaville Wildman, United States consul general at Hongkong. "Mrs. Wildman, wife of the consul general. "Rounaville Wildman, jr., son of the consul general. "Dorothy Wildman, daughter of the consul general. "Miss Kate Reidy, of San Francisco, governess of the Wildman children. "Mrs. Sarah W. Wakefield, of Oakland. "Miss Nagami Wakefield, daughter of Mrs. Wakefield. "Miss Rowena Jehu, of Alameda. "Alfred Hart, jeweller of Manila, formerly of San Francisco and Los Angeles. "Mrs. Alfred Hart. "Wm. A. Henshaw, attorney of Honolulu. "Harry Guyon, painter of Petaluma. "Dr. Wm. E. Dodd, oculist, Butte, Mont. "Angelo Casvoni, foreman of Lowry sawmill plantation, Kunihi, near Shanghai. "Charles Dowdall, barrister of Shanghai, with family, residents of Santa Barbara. "Wm. McPhee, of San Francisco. "W. A. Woodworth and Mrs. Woodworth, of Denver. "H. F. Seymour, editor of the Manila American. "Dr. Okawara, Japanese physician, and wife, from Honolulu.

Japanese, servant of Mrs. Okawara. "Leo O. Chung, a well-to-do Chinese student. "Chas. J. A. Cox, steerage passenger from Honolulu. "Mr. O. Da Jap, merchant, from Honolulu. "Mr. Sakuri, Japanese merchant, from Honolulu. "Mr. and Mrs. Takatani, Honolulu. "P. Sato, Japanese, from Yokohama. "Mrs. Dikahamasako, Yokohama. "Miss Hikasaki, Japanese, from Yokohama. "Miss Hamasaki, Yokohama. "S. Tamuro, Japanese, from Kobe. "The number of Chinese passengers lost is variously estimated at from twenty-four to forty-three. "Officers and Crew Lost. "Capt. W. Ward, of San Francisco. "J. C. Johnson, first officer, a Russian from San Francisco. "Jas. Rooney, purser, resident of Ocean View, San Francisco. "R. W. MacGoun, first assistant engineer, San Francisco. "T. H. Brady, second assistant engineer, San Francisco. "W. A. Munro, third assistant engineer, San Francisco. "Harry A. Scott, steward, San Francisco. "Mrs. J. L. Dorman, stewardess, San Francisco. "D. A. Carvin, quartermaster, lived on the steamer. "Edward Garwick, butcher, San Francisco. "A. Malcolm, saloon watchman, lived on the steamer. "Jas. A. McArthur, steerage watchman, San Francisco. "J. J. Smith, water tender, San Francisco. "H. M. Lewis, water tender, San Francisco. "Fred D. Greenway, oiler. "Walter Smith, oiler. "The Saved Passengers. "Jas. K. Carpenter, mining engineer, of Oakland. "Russell Harper, newspaperman, of Nagasaki. "D. H. Long, produce shipper, of Petaluma. "Capt. Max. Hecht, German army officer. "Wm. Brandon, London Stock Exchange broker. "Miss Frances Ripley, seamstress, San Francisco. "Robt. Holtz, German merchant, Shanghai. "Mlle. Gabrielle Lehren, French maid, of San Francisco. "Mrs. Kate West, Red Cross nurse, of San Francisco. "Wm. E. Casper, fireman, of sick leave from the transport Lawton. "E. C. Howell, ex-soldier, from Hongkong. "J. Wada, Japanese professor, from Honolulu. "Fifteen Chinese passengers were saved as far as any record can be obtained. "The following passengers, who started on the Rio de Janeiro from various Asiatic points, left the steamer at Honolulu on stop-over tickets: H. S. Olofin, from Yokohama; Mr. Heisea, Edward Secotran, from Shanghai; W. W. Castle and wife, W. C. Loe, Mrs. C. F. McIntosh, from Hongkong; L. Horn, from Shanghai. "The bodies of eleven victims lies at the bottom of the sea. Only seven of them have been identified. They are: "Mrs. Sarah W. Wakefield, aged 50, a native of New York, widow of the late S. B. Wakefield, of Oakland. "Mrs. Alfred Hart, of Manila. "Chas. Dowdall, a barrister, of Shanghai. "Edward Garwick, a German, 45 years old, San Francisco. "Angelo Casvoni. "Mrs. Julia Doherman, aged 55, stewardess of the Rio. "A Japanese identified as the engineer's mess boy. "Four Identified Chinese.

UNITED STATES OFFICERS Charged With Tyranny and Oppression in Army and Navy. "Washington, Feb. 21.—In the House to-day, during the consideration of an amendment to the deficiency bill to prevent hazing at the naval academy, Mr. Coblurn, of Iowa, used very strong language while inveighing against the practice of hazing, charging that the habits of tyranny and oppression formed by the officers of the army and navy at their academies was responsible for the refusal of sailors to enlist in the navy, and for the large number of desertions from the army. Moreover, he alleged that officers stood by each other when in trouble, saying that the commanders of twenty-five vessels of the navy lost since the civil war had, with one exception, escaped with slight punishment. "Mr. Cannon, of Illinois, and Mr. Dayton, of West Virginia, warmly defended the navy.

NBORO LYNCHED. "Lake Charles, La., Feb. 21.—Thomas Vital, colored, charged with assaulting a 13-year-old white girl, was taken from his home near Peston by a mob and lynched early to-day. Samuel Maddox, who attempted to defend Vital, was shot to death. Vital had been previously shot in the leg by the girl's father, and was resisting the officers when the mob captured him.

PORTLAND EXPOSITION. "Portland, Ore., Feb. 21.—Articles incorporating an exposition to celebrate the anniversary of the arrival in Oregon of the Lewis & Clark expedition in 1805 will be filed with the secretary of state at once. The Oregon legislature will be asked to pass a resolution guaranteeing state support and also a resolution asking congress for an appropriation for the exposition, which will be held in this city during the summer of 1905.